

18 ORGANIZATIONS ASSAIL MUNDT BILL

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NO CITY AID YET FOR FIRE VICTIMS

BULLETIN

At 9 p.m., 20 Negro and white tenants were still sitting in at the City Housing Authority offices, prepared for an all-night protest against the City's stalling on finding homes for the Negro families left without shelter by fire.

By Louise Mitchell

Stuyvesant Town tenants who opened their homes to Harlem's fire victims Wednesday night until housing is found were preparing yesterday to receive more victims of the tragedy as tenants at Knickerbocker Village, another giant Jimcrow project in lower Manhattan, extended

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By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, March 30. — Officials of 18 national organizations today presented Congress with a joint statement opposing the Mundt police state measure. Sponsors of the statement said they were "completely and unalterably opposed to communism," but declared the Mundt Bill would be "an unconstitutional violation of civil liberties."

The statement was handed to the House Un-American Committee now holding its second week of hearings on HR 7595, the House version of the Mundt Bill. Signers were:

Patrick Murphy Malin, national director, American Civil Liberties Union;

Charles M. LaFollette, national director, Americans for Democratic Action;

Dr. Ralph Himstead, general secretary, American Association of University Professors;

Elmer W. Henderson, director, American Council on Human Rights;

Helen Blanchard, legislative representative, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, CIO;

John Slawson, executive director, American Jewish Committee;

David W. Petegorsky, executive director, American Jewish Congress;

Michael Straight, chairman, American Veterans Committee;

Benjamin R. Epstein, executive director, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith;

The Rev. Thomas B. Keehn, legislative secretary, Council for Social Action, Congregational Christian Churches;

Raymond Wilson, executive secretary, Friends (Quakers) Committee on National Legislation;

Jacob Pat, executive director, Jewish Labor Committee;

Ben Kaufman, executive director, Jewish War Veterans;

Isiah M. Minkoff, executive director, National Community Relations Advisory Council;

Mrs. Irying M. Engel, president, National Council of Jewish Women;

Elisabeth Christman, secretary-treasurer, National Women's Trade Union League;

Philip Schiff and Herman Shukofsky, co-chairmen, Social Action Committee, National Association of Jewish Center Workers;

John W. Edelman, legislative representative, Textile Workers Union, CIO.

The language of the Mundt bill is so vague, the statement said, that many people might be "afraid to join with their fellow citizens to seek any form of

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15,000 PICKET CHRYSLER

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Cops lineup strikebreakers and strikers after a clash at the Bruce Richards direct mail firm, 860 Broadway. Character at extreme right is Edward Curley, organizer for AFL Local 153, who has been trying to raid the United Office Workers in collusion with employer. Curley and the other strikebreakers try to hide faces. See P. 4.

Dennis May Be Imprisoned Within Month

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Less than a month remains before the Supreme Court mandate which sends Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party, to jail for a year goes to the district court here.

Under the rules of the court, the mandate from Chief Justice Fred

Vinson automatically goes to the Court of Appeals on April 20. The Appeals Court can then send it directly to District Judge David A. Pine, who originally sentenced Dennis.

Pine is empowered to send Dennis to jail on that day even if the Supreme Court has not yet considered the petition for rehearing that the Communist Party secretary is now preparing.

Dennis has until April 10 to file this petition. The government had 10 days to file a response, though the court does not require a reply and will not wait for one unless a response is specifically requested. The court then determines whether to accept Dennis' petition or not,

a procedure that requires from three weeks to a month.

The court, on Monday, upheld the lower court verdict that Dennis was guilty of contempt of the House Un-American Committee. It found that a jury composed of government workers had given Dennis a fair trial despite the hysteria and pressures of President Truman's Loyalty order. Dennis had maintained that government workers could not judge fairly in trials prosecuted by the government.

The court spokesman said that only one or two pleas for rehearing had been granted out of the hundreds filed in the last three years.

Dennis Decision Hits Labor, FTA Head Says

PHILADELPHIA, March 30.—John Tisa, acting president of the Food, Tobacco and Agricultural Workers, blasted the Supreme Court decision upholding the conviction of Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party, as "political persecution" to stifle the voices of those who raise criticism of American and international policies.

Lauding the minority report of Supreme Court Justices Hugo L. Black and Felix Frankfurter, Tisa declared that the majority decision will hurt labor.

"Labor as a whole will be hurt by this conviction because the Un-American Committee is not only after the Communists but after all labor which dares to express its independent thinking on all questions that confront the American people."

"This is an effort of intimidation of freedom of expression of Americans."

Other Philadelphia labor leaders who denounced the Supreme Court ruling were Joe McLaughlin, business manager, CIO United She Workers, Local 127; Ike Freedman, business manager, Fur Local 53; Nicholas Chase, regional director, United Office and Professional Workers, and labor attorney Saul C. Waldbaum.

McLaughlin declared, "It is difficult to get a fair trial, especially when Communists are being tried. It may be possible for a juror to say that he is impartial but impartiality is impossible because of the tremendous pressure put on these government employees by the loyalty review boards, the press and the radio."

BLOW TO DEMOCRACY

"The decision of the Supreme Court in upholding the conviction of Eugene Dennis is a blow against the democratic rights of the American people," said Freedman.

"The American people must raise their voices and demand a stop to this infamous persecution of a political minority, else it will not be long before all constitutional liberties of the American people will be a thing of the past."

The Supreme Court upholding the conviction of Dennis is a threat against the civil liberties of all Americans, Chase said.

"Without passing judgment on whether Dennis' political philosophy is right or wrong, I firmly believe that in the interests of true American Democracy he had the legal right to refuse to appear before a Congressional Committee without being cited for contempt."

"The majority opinion upholding this new un-American contempt citation and their assertion that it is possible to get a fair trial before a jury made up of government employees where the government is prosecuting the case is ably refuted by the minority dissent of Justices Hugo Black and Felix Frankfurter."

Waldbaum declared, "Justices Black and Frankfurter stated the matter very plainly. . . . Dennis was not tried by an impartial jury. An impartial jury can be only a jury which has no cause to fear any reprisal from any source. Labor unions did not come of age until they had their own paid representatives. It is ridiculous to expect a man to vote against the hand that feeds him. The Dennis case should be reconsidered."

CUBA COMMUNIST LEADERS PROTEST RULING ON DENNIS



ROCA



MARINELLO

"In Dennis we salute a friend of Cuba"

Juan Marinello, president of the Cuban Popular Socialist Party (Communist), and Blas Roca, general secretary of the party, denounced the Supreme Court ruling on Eugene Dennis, secretary of the Communist Party, as "dictated by political motives." In cables to President Truman and Supreme Court Justice Fred M. Vinson, they said:

"In the name of 150,000 Cubans, and reflecting the democratic sentiments of our whole people, we protest the iniquitous ratification of the arbitrary and illegal conviction of Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party USA. Dennis' sole 'crime' was his defiance of the fascist House Un-American Committee."

"We know that this sentence was dictated by political motives, and by the fact that Dennis firmly lifts the banner of democracy, peace, national liberation, and the emancipation of the workers of the United States."

"In Dennis we salute a great friend of our country's cause, and a resolute fighter against his own country's imperialists who are the oppressors of Cuba. We express our confidence in the victory of the people of the United States and are certain that democracy and progress will triumph over the Wall Street monopolists and their Gestapo."

CRC Has Petitions

Petitions on the Mundt bill are now available at the state office of the Civil Rights Congress, 23 W. 26th St. (Tel. OR 9-1657).

IWO to Appeal Court Ruling

The International Workers Order announced yesterday that it would carry its fight against the Attorney General's subversive list to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Reiterating its position that the list was unconstitutional, the IWO charged that the majority ruling of the Circuit Court of Appeals would deny judicial redress to those defamed or damaged by the Government. The majority opinion ruled no court could make the Attorney General change his opinion of an organization.

Quakers Would Be Victims, Mundt Bill Hearing Told

By Mel Fiske

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Because they favor a peace settlement with the USSR, the Quakers could be penalized as subversive if the Mundt Bill becomes law, a leader of that church testified today. Dr. Harrop Freeman, Cornell University law professor and spokesman for the Friends Committee on National Legislation, told the House Un-American Committee that Congress would be violating the Constitution and going counter to all Supreme Court decisions by adopting the Mundt bill.

Many religious organizations would be subject to prosecution under the bill because their position is similar to the Communist Party's on many questions, Dr. Freeman said.

He cited the placing of a Methodist Church youth organization on the Attorney General's "sub-

versive list" as the result of a charge that "Communist policy was being followed."

Dr. Freeman added that the bill would violate the Constitution by "legislating the Communist Party out of existence."

"The Supreme Court," he declared, "has said the Communist Party is a legal party and that Congress could not legislate them out of existence. Now you're trying to do it indirectly through this bill."

Michael Straight, chairman of

the American Veterans Committee and editor of the New Republic, and Leonard Nikolovic, an attorney in the firm of Arnold, Fortas & Porter of Washington, who accompanied Straight, told the committee the Mundt bill would jeopardize "many other organizations, not only the Communist Party."

Straight said he had just returned from a tour of AVC chapters in New England. "They insisted that I come here and tes-

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Illinois CP Opens Drive To End Travel Ban on 'II'

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, March 30.—A move to end the travel restrictions imposed on the 11 Communist leaders convicted in the Foley Square frameup was opened here today by the Illinois Communist Party with an invitation to Eugene Dennis to address a May Day rally in this city.

The invitation to the general secretary of the Communist Party here was extended by executive secretary Claude Lightfoot on behalf of the state board of the Illinois Communist Party.

The May Day rally is scheduled for Sunday, April 30, 7 p.m. at the Ashland Auditorium, Ashland and Van Buren Sts.

The Communist leaders were forbidden traveling outside of the jurisdiction of the federal courts where they reside pending the appeal of their conviction to a higher court.

"We view the fight for your

right to travel freely," Lightfoot wrote Dennis, "as part of the struggle to defeat the gigantic threat by the Mundt bill, which would engulf the democratic rights of the whole American people."

The Negro Communist leader pledged that every effort would be made to win the support of labor, the Negro people, the foreign-born and all peace-loving people in this campaign to end the limitations placed on your right to travel.

Lightfoot appealed for wires and letters to U.S. Attorney General Howard McGrath calling for the lifting of all travel restrictions on the 11 Communist leaders.

CIO TRANSPORT WORKERS DENOUNCE MUNDT BILL

The International Executive Board of the CIO Transport Workers Union has called for "vigorous opposition" to the Mundt Bill, it was announced yesterday. The board called on every local of the union to go on record against the bill and state their positions to their Senators and Representatives.

Copies of the resolution were sent to every Senator and Congressman.

IDAHO . . .

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, March 30. — Warning that "a sharper axe" than Taft-Hartley is being forged in Congress, the Coeur d'Alene District of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union has called for protest measures against the Mundt bill.

MINNESOTA . . .

MINNEAPOLIS, March 30. — The Mundt-Ferguson bill "could easily lead to establishing a police state," warned an editorial in the Minneapolis Spokesman, conservative Negro newspaper. The bill would give the "go-ahead sign to every conceivable form of persecution of any one who did not happen to agree with the prevailing thoughts," the editorial declared.

Rep. Roy Weir is the first member of Congress from Minneapolis who has stated his opposition to the measure, the newspaper revealed. Readers were urged to write to Congressmen urging defeat of the bill.

Billion Budget Shuns Relief, Wages

Negro-White Solidarity

AN EDITORIAL

New York City is now witnessing a demonstration of solidarity of its Negro and white citizens as magnificent as this nation has ever seen.

One hundred and twenty Negro families, left homeless in one of those all-too-frequent fire tragedies in the packed ghetto of Harlem, were invited to share the homes of white families in Stuyvesant Town, the Jimcrow walled city set up by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company as a monument to the Nazi-like race theories of big business.

The example of the Stuyvesant Town tenants, who are of varied political and religious faiths, has now been followed by tenants of Knickerbocker Village and by others from all parts of the city.

They have been exerting pressure on the City Housing Authority and the Welfare Department to come through with homes and relief for the burned-out families, who lost everything in the fire. In sharp contrast, the city agencies have evaded meeting the needs of the fire victims.

The way for the powerful expressions of solidarity of the people was prepared by the historic seven-year struggle against discrimination in Stuyvesant Town, initiated by former Councilman Benjamin J. Davis in the summer of 1943.

This struggle dramatized the disgraceful ghetto conditions under which the Negro people are forced to live, which made firetraps of Negro communities, and which is making it tougher to solve the problem of housing Negro fire victims.

The struggle has spread rapidly to include wide sections of the population, and has been waged most energetically by the New York Tenants, Welfare and Consumer Council, the Committee to End Discrimination in Stuyvesant Town, the American Labor Party, the Communist Party and others.

It has forced the State Legislature to bar discrimination in future publicly aided housing projects, but the Legislature, dominated by reaction, failed to include Stuyvesant Town in the ban, as demanded by the groups mentioned.

The fight against bias in Stuyvesant Town, as well as in residential areas in all parts of the city, has now been given new impetus by the movement to aid the fire victims.

The city administration has a responsibility to these fire victims. That responsibility includes finding them homes in every part of the city, regardless of Jimcrow practices.

It has a special responsibility to see to it that Stuyvesant Town which it aids financially, does not remain closed to the homeless Negro citizens, as well as others now forced to live in firetrap ghettos. The fight to compel the city to break through Stuyvesant Town restrictions on pain of canceling tax exemption must now be widened.

By Michael Singer

Having voted itself fat pay grabs ranging up to \$15,000 a year last Christmas, the Board of Estimate and Mayor O'Dwyer yesterday approved a billion-dollar budget which failed to give a penny increase for teachers and municipal employees. The Mayor's fourth consecutive billion dollar budget of \$1,243,451,794 is the highest in city history. Though \$41,896,430 more than in the current budget,

the appropriations for 1950-51 actually represent continued wage cuts, relief slashes, inadequate health and hospital service and complete betrayal of O'Dwyer's election campaign promises.

The Mayor deleted the entire \$13,000,000, mainly for wage increases, requested by the Board of Education, an act which Mrs. Rose Russell, legislative representative of the Teachers Union, characterized as "utter shamelessness."

The \$272,011,174 allocated to the Board of Education provides only \$908,744 for 361 new school employees, of whom only 264 are teachers. Rejecting Teachers Union demands for enough funds to end the continual seasonal unemployment of substitutes and the present back-breaking work load, the O'Dwyer budget exposed the phony \$13 million bid by the Board of Education as a scheme to silence mounting teacher protests.

"It comes at a time when school morale is being shattered by terrorism and substandard pay and

work conditions," Mrs. Russell said.

CHALLENGE BOAST

The mayor made much of the \$350 cost-of-living bonus which the budget freezes into permanent salaries but his boast was quickly challenged by Jack Bigel, district president of the United Public Workers.

Bigel exposed the mayor's bonus grant as an attempt to cover up his failure to grant wage increases and restore the cuts imposed by transferring provisionals to lower-paying civil service posts.

"While the rest of organized labor has won three or four rounds of wage boosts since 1945," Bigel said, "the workers in O'Dwyer's employment haven't received a dime more since that time." He said the standard of living for city employees was 27 percent less than that under 1939 levels.

The UPW had requested a \$535 increase to restore 1939 living standards, immediate upgrading of vital services, a 40-hour week which is 12 years overdue, since federally enacted in 1938, restoration of wage cuts running as high as \$15 a week and a \$250 increase for all employees on city payrolls since 1948 who had not received the temporary cost of living bonus.

"Instead of these—the minimum for effective, decent and humane working conditions," the UPW (Continued on Page 9)

Coast Dockers Win Pact, Balk Teamster Raid

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30.—The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, led by Harry Bridges, has reached an agreement on a three-year extension of their contract covering 5,000 Bay Area warehouse workers. The agreement was viewed as a crippling blow to the raiding operations of the AFL Teamsters against ILWU Local 6.

Agents of Dave Beck, West Coasts Teamster "Czar," were gambling on a stalemate in negotiations and expiration of the master contract on May 31.

In addition to the three-year renewal, the agreement provides for:

- A fifth round wage increase of 2½ cents an hour. (Six months ago, the union won a 10-cent hourly raise after a 104-day strike, lifting wages to the highest in the industry.)

- An additional holiday, bringing the total to seven.

- A \$500 life insurance policy for every worker, financed by the employer.

- Wage reopenings in 1951 and 1952, though the agreement rules out strikes or lockouts until the 1952 reopener.

Hilliard Fires 4 UPW Members

By Arnold Sroog

Welfare Commissioner Raymond Hilliard yesterday fired four employees of the Welfare Department and suspended 28 others in a move aimed at crushing resistance to the Commissioner's anti-union drive.

The harsh action by Hilliard, who has been under severe fire for his brutal slashes in relief allotments, followed a protest delegation last Friday to Bronx Welfare Director Michael Rappaport against discriminatory transfer of a union official.

Leaders of the protest delegation were Frank Herbst, president of Local 1 of the United Public Workers, and James Griesi, president of the Sanitation local of the UPW.

Those hit by the Hilliard reprisals were all militant members of the UPW, who had been fingered by Hilliard's stoop pigeons in the Welfare Department, especially by

members of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists. Rappaport himself is a leader of the company union setup sponsored for city employees jointly by the O'Dwyer administration and the CIO.

TRANSFER UNIONIST

Friday's protest delegation arose out of the transfer of David Talbert, Negro grievance chairman of Welfare Council 40, from the Bronx to the Brownsville Welfare Center. For the past seven months Hilliard has been following the policy of shifting union militants to the Brownsville Center from all over the city, earning that center the

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FRANCO MAKES A KILLING ON FREE U. S. SPUDS

The Franco Government and its hangers-on are making a big killing in the sale of surplus U. S. potatoes which they have bought here for the cost of the bags.



An Associated Press dispatch from Madrid yesterday reported that the potatoes which Franco buys for 20 cents a ton here are being sold in the black market in Madrid for \$200.

The people of Spain are paying one thousand times as much for potatoes as the U. S. sold them for.

15,000 Demonstrate At Chrysler Plant

By William Allan

DETROIT, March 30.—Fifteen thousand Chrysler strikers demonstrated today at the company's Jefferson-Kercheval plant as the strike entered its 10th week. The turnout, biggest at any one plant since the strike began, was achieved on 24 hours notice through sending each worker a letter asking him to show the company he was sticking with the union.

It was a setback for the company, which expected that nine weeks of strike in the depth of winter would weaken the strikers' morale.

UAW president Walter Reuther at a rally attended by thousands after the demonstration, was applauded when he declared, "there will be no selling down the river of this strike."

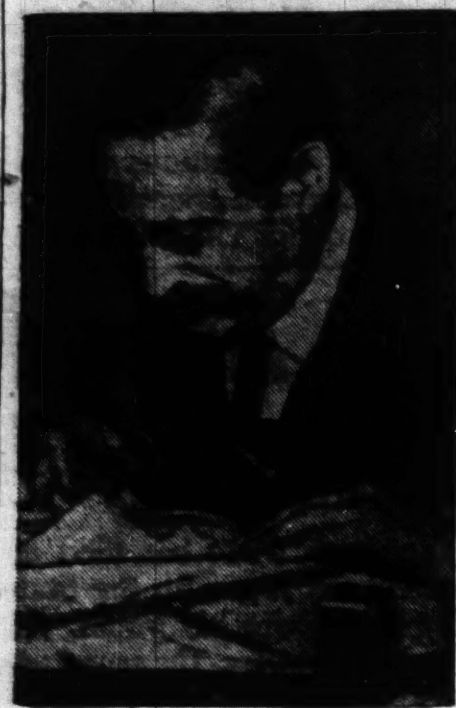
Reuther said, that the strike would not be settled except by a good contract, but he still insisted that pension and insurance are

the only economic demand.

A little enthusiasm was aroused by his repetition of, "we are fighting for a 10 cent pension and insurance package."

He made no mention of the fact that yesterday UAW-CM negotiators opened discussions with the corporation for a 31 cent an hour wage package, of which 22 cents goes for pension, improved vacation pay, severance pay and insurance and nine cents for a straight hourly wage boost.

Reuther did not repeat his remarks of two weeks ago at the Coliseum, where 20,000 were present, that "the longer this strike goes on the more we will add to the demands."



BLUM
Three-Time Premier

Leon Blum Dies; French SP Chief

PARIS, March 30.—Leon Blum, French Socialist Party leader and three times premier, died today at his country home near Paris following a heart attack. He was 77.

Blum was premier of France in 1936 and 1937, during the years of the popular front when the Socialists and Communists united against fascism. Under Blum, however, the Socialist Party moved to the right and participated in the non-intervention policy which aided Franco's war against Republican Spain.

In 1938, he was premier for a month. After the war Blum headed a provisional government for two months—December, 1946, and January, 1947. At that time the French Communists who had led the resistance movement against the Nazis were in the government. Following a visit to the United States, Blum bowed to the wishes of the cold-war advocates and supported the policy which ousted the Communists from the government.

Blum was born in Paris, April 9, 1872; son of an Alsatian silk manufacturer. He joined the Socialist Party in 1899.

In 1940 Blum was arrested after the Germans occupied France. He was placed on trial by the Germans at Riom in 1942, but it was called off by the Germans.

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Seamen of all maritime unions get the 1-star edition of Thursday's Daily Worker, which includes a maritime page, every week on Joralemon St., Brooklyn, at the Unemployment Insurance lines. There's a section there reserved for maritime workers. Over the months, as they line up in the street, seamen who had only heard of the Daily as "that Red sheet," have been getting acquainted with the paper that tells them why they're on the beach for six months and more waiting for a job.

Though most of the guys are broke, there's never a distribution that doesn't result in one or two dollars being collected in nickels and pennies from dozens of unemployed seamen.

Today's POINT of ORDER

Headline in yesterday's New York Herald Tribune: "Moscow's Gains In Propaganda War Conceded." A propaganda war for peace is the only kind of war the Soviet Union can be accused of.

Sidewalks OF NEW YORK

Students Answer Their Profs

By Joseph North

The campus, we've been told, is the bastion of free inquiry, democracy in America. But some educators are worried. The colleges, they say, are a "vacuum." They complain of a barrier between them and the students. "Why?" they ask.

Yesterday I recounted some reactions of students who had their say on this at NYU. There is much more. You encounter many veterans. They strike you as young men who've been through the mill. They know a lot, and they're not talking. Not in the class-room. Some are scorched by cynicism, have gotten no inspiration, no moral sustenance from their educators. They are aware of the gathering clouds, but many think they will play it safe, maybe they will get that elusive job if they go down in the storm-cellars, quiet.

A young ex-infantryman replied: "There are always the

wolves and there are the sheep. The wolves may turn on one another but the sheep get eaten. I'll play it with the wolves. Of course, it's a career or conscience." He was referring to the comment of the Rev. R. J. McCracken of Riverside Church, of Prof. F. J. Bassett, State Teachers' dean.

The infantryman's companion interjected: "That's a hell of a statement. You can't have a career and be square with your conscience?"

The other laughed, that scornful laugh of youth that is dreadful when it is tinged with cynicism: "Try it," he said.

I replied: "Okay, for argument's sake. You're ready to abandon conscience for the career. But suppose there are no careers either, like 1931. Then what?"

"Then," he said slowly, "then we'll admit what we're thinking. I'm afraid to admit that even to myself. I know the mon-

opolies are taking over. That's Marxism, isn't it? Well, then you Marxists are right."

I cite these as expressions gotten at random. Many others were similar. I believe it would be error to believe many students aren't thinking. But most I saw won't talk. They have a headful of ideas, a heartful of apprehensions, but they're not prepared to act on them. Not yet. They see their educators—in the main—playing it safe.

They expect leadership, guidance, strength from them. They didn't get it. Hence this barrier the educators fear. You cannot expect youth to revere age that has grown cautious, fearful, mum.

Overall, there is unspoken apprehension of tomorrow. A year ago they figured they'd keep their ideas to themselves, and they'd get that job. They'd play it safe, run, as one student said, "with the wolves." Today, they begin to fear the "wolves

have turned on them," there will be no job. Tomorrow?

Those to whom I spoke don't see—not yet—that the "conscience" they renounce—social responsibility—is their only salvation. For they regard conscience as "starry-eyed idealism," an expensive luxury in the time of the toad.

What they don't see, as yet, is that this "conscience" is imperative, a political, economic necessity. They've forgotten, or

rather, they never learned what a previous generation learned in the turbulent years of the New Deal—that they must stand together or fall separately. That and only that will save them their careers as well as their souls.

I'm convinced many will learn that fast, for the absence of jobs is a persuasive teacher, far more so than their present faculty. Whether they want it or not, they will be obliged to "have communication" with their new educator, Prof. Experience.

And again will come the American Galileos, the students, the educators who will stand fast. The quest for truth will prevail over the Torquemadas.

But if they joined those who reject silence, if they talked up today, they would reach that time without passing through the hell of fascism.

Many, I believe, stand on the threshold of that realization. They want leadership, inspiration, confidence, and the majority of their professors have abdicated.

That, my dear Dr. Bassett, is the reason for the "barrier" between you and the students.



O'D Weighs Fare Hike For 10 Bus Firms Here

Ten private bus companies yesterday submitted higher fare applications to the Board of Estimate. The board then quickly approved Mayor O'Dwyer's special three-man committee to study the applications and bring in recommendations. The committee, consisting of Deputy Mayor Reid, who already has indicated support for a higher bus fare; Isidore Spinrad, chief accountant of the Board of Transportation, and Charles F. Preusse, first assistant Corporation Counsel, immediately began hearings.

The board's action was based on a bill passed in Albany and signed by Gov. Dewey taking fare jurisdiction out of the hands of the Public Service Commission and placing full responsibility for new rates on the city.

Comptroller Lazarus Joseph who last year protested higher interim fare bids by the same companies, was not named to the mayor's committee. His omission, it was learned, was due to O'Dwyer's desire to handpick a group which would rush through an increased bus fare.

FIGHT PAY CUT

LOS ANGELES (FP).—Manufacturers in the coat and suit segment of the multi-million dollar ladies' garment industry disbanded their bargaining association and threatened a "runaway" to other areas in an unsuccessful attempt to force a 25 percent wage slash.

OF THINGS TO COME, a column by John Pittman, associate editor of The Worker, appears Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Daily Worker.

Communists to Appeal Feinberg Law Ruling

The Communist Party of New York State has filed an appeal on the Feinberg school witchhunt law with the State Court of Appeals, Robert Thompson, Party chairman, announced yesterday. The appeal was filed through the firm of Unger, Freedman and Fleischer, Wednesday.

Teachers Meet

Tonight on Wages

The Teachers Union will meet tonight at 8, at Straubenmuller Textile High School, 351 W. 18 St., to plan a series of emergency actions to force immediate salary increases.

Mrs. Figueiredo Free On Exorbitant Bail

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., March 30.—Mrs. Eulale Figueiredo was released here on \$5,000 bail posted by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born which protested the excessive sum.

A petition for a writ of habeas corpus had been denied in the court. Bail was posted because Mrs. Figueiredo, born in Portugal, was ill during detention and an appeal would have forced her to continue to stay in jail.

In making public the filing of the appeal, Thompson stated: "The Feinberg Law is a police-state measure which is inimical to the Bill of Rights and the Constitution of both our state and national governments. It seeks to legalize the fascist doctrine of guilt by association and threatens the democratic rights not only of all teachers, but of all New Yorkers. That is why New Yorkers of various political beliefs have jointly opposed it in various law suits, statements and activity. We will join hands with all others to defeat this vicious attempt to undermine democratic liberties, and urge increased opposition to it."

The appeal is taken from the decision of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court and seeks to reinstate the decision of Judge Henry Schirick who had earlier declared the Feinberg Law unconstitutional.

Court Reinstates Juror Ousted as Communist

PITTSBURGH, March 30.—The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, Western District, today ordered the restoration of Mrs. Alice Roth to the grand jury rolls. The court rebuked Judge Michael J. Musmanno, who had ousted Mrs. Roth after Matthew Cvetic, stoolpigeon, declared her to be a Communist.

Today's decision was handed down by Chief Justice Drew and concurred in by associate judges Lynn, Sterne, Jones and Stearne.

"The privilege of serving as a juror," said the decision, "may neither be extinguished, abated or diminished."

Big Unions Back May Day Parade

Responding to a call to make this May Day an occasion for a rousing demonstration against the war-mongers and the Mundt-Ferguson police-state bill, scores of trade unions are endorsing the annual parade, the United Labor and People's Committee for May Day announced yesterday.

Among unions that have taken action are the Furriers Joint Board, Furriers Joint Council, Furniture Workers Local 140, Painters Locals 905 and 848, AFL Jewelry Workers Local 1, Shoe Workers Joint Council 13 and Locals 54 and 65, and the General Council of Local 65 Wholesale and Warehouse Workers. Local 65's General Council voted by a heavy majority to recommend that the rank and file of its 12 membership areas take similar action in meetings during the coming month.

The May Day Committee urged trade unions and community organizations to join in making May Day the rallying point for their outstanding demands for peace, security, equal rights for the Negro people, and an end to Taft-Hartley.

Eight Snuff Strikers Arrested

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 30.—Police attacked a CIO United Steel Workers rally here today, and arrested eight American Snuff Co. strikers. Four persons were injured in fighting near the plant. The strike, over the issue of wages, has lasted 77 days.

3 Scabs Arrested for Attacking Pickets

Three AFL strikebreakers were arrested yesterday for attacking pickets at the strikebound Bruce Richards Co., 860 Broadway, where 60 direct mail workers are nearing the end of their fourth week of protest against wage cutting and unfair conditions.

Edward Curley, one of the three taken into custody and an organizer for AFL Local 153, was also arrested last night in a \$200 bail assault upon a picket. Five members of the Greater New York Local,

United Office & Professional Workers of America were detained.

The Bruce Richards shop struck March 6, when the employer stalled negotiations and fired one of the active union members. The company has refused the invitation of the New York State Mediation Board to appear before them. UOPWA has filed unfair labor practice charges against the company at the National Labor Relations Board.

The union has launched a pro-

test campaign, including letters, telephone calls and leaflets, urging firms to withdraw their accounts from the struck company until the strike is settled. The Suchard Chocolate Co. has already withdrawn its account, it was announced yesterday. A national toothpaste concern has curtailed its allotment to the company.

Efforts are being concentrated on the remaining companies which included the Lever Bros. soap company (Lux, Rinso, Lifebuoy), General Foods, Pepsi Cola and

Manhattan Soap (Sweetheart soap).

UOPWA Local President Norma Aronson declared: "AFL Local 153 is becoming notorious in the labor movement as a scavenger local whom union-busting employers call upon for strikebreaking. AFL Organizer Edward Curley of Local 153 has been personally leading in strikebreakers who, have never previously worked in the plant and who openly boast that the Union is supplementing their pay in order to break our strike."

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Billion Budget Shuns Relief, Wages

Negro-White Solidarity

AN EDITORIAL

New York City is now witnessing a demonstration of solidarity of its Negro and white citizens as magnificent as this nation has ever seen.

One hundred and twenty Negro families, left homeless in one of those all-too-frequent fire tragedies in the packed ghetto of Harlem, were invited to share the homes of white families in Stuyvesant Town, the Jimcrow walled city set up by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company as a monument to the Nazi-like race theories of big business.

The example of the Stuyvesant Town tenants, who are of varied political and religious faiths, has now been followed by tenants of Knickerbocker Village and by others from all parts of the city.

They have been exerting pressure on the City Housing Authority and the Welfare Department to come through with homes and relief for the burned-out families, who lost everything in the fire.

In sharp contrast, the city agencies have evaded meeting the needs of the fire victims.

The way for the powerful expressions of solidarity of the people was prepared by the historic seven-year struggle against discrimination in Stuyvesant Town, initiated by former Councilman Benjamin J. Davis in the summer of 1943.

This struggle dramatized the disgraceful ghetto conditions under which the Negro people are forced to live, which made fire-traps of Negro communities, and which is making it tougher to solve the problem of housing Negro fire victims.

The struggle has spread rapidly to include wide sections of the population, and has been waged most energetically by the New York Tenants Welfare and Consumer Council, the Committee to End Discrimination in Stuyvesant Town, the American Labor Party, the Communist Party and others.

It has forced the State Legislature to bar discrimination in future publicly aided housing projects, but the Legislature, dominated by reaction, failed to include Stuyvesant Town in the ban, as demanded by the groups mentioned.

The fight against bias in Stuyvesant Town, as well as in residential areas in all parts of the city, has now been given new impetus by the movement to aid the fire victims.

The city administration has a responsibility to these fire victims. That responsibility includes finding them homes in every part of the city, regardless of Jimcrow practices.

It has a special responsibility to see to it that Stuyvesant Town which it aids financially, does not remain closed to the homeless Negro citizens, as well as others now forced to live in firetrap ghettos. The fight to compel the city to break through Stuyvesant Town restrictions on pain of canceling tax exemption must now be widened.

By Michael Singer

Having voted itself fat pay grabs ranging up to \$15,000 a year last Christmas, the Board of Estimate and Mayor O'Dwyer yesterday approved a billion-dollar budget which failed to give a penny increase for teachers and municipal employees. The Mayor's fourth consecutive billion dollar budget of \$1,243,451,794 is the highest in city history. Though \$41,896,430 more than in the current budget,

the appropriations for 1950-51 actually represent continued wage cuts, relief slashes, inadequate health and hospital service and complete betrayal of O'Dwyer's election campaign promises.

The Mayor deleted the entire \$13,000,000, mainly for wage increases, requested by the Board of Education, an act which Mrs. Rose Russell, legislative representative of the Teachers Union, characterized as "utter shamelessness."

The \$272,011,174 allocated to the Board of Education provides only \$908,744 for 361 new school employees, of whom only 264 are teachers.

Rejecting Teachers Union demands for enough funds to end the continual seasonal unemployment of substitutes and the present back-breaking work load, the O'Dwyer budget exposed the phony \$13 million bid by the Board of Education as a scheme to silence mounting teacher protests.

"It comes at a time when school morale is being shattered by terrorism and substandard pay and

work conditions," Mrs. Russell said.

CHALLENGE BOAST

The mayor made much of the \$350 cost-of-living bonus which the budget freezes into permanent salaries but his boast was quickly challenged by Jack Bigel, district president of the United Public Workers.

Bigel exposed the mayor's bonus grant as an attempt to cover up his failure to grant wage increases and restore the cuts imposed by transferring provisionals to lower-paying civil service posts.

"While the rest of organized labor has won three or four rounds of wage boosts since 1945," Bigel said, "the workers in O'Dwyer's employment haven't received a dime more since that time." He said the standard of living for city employees was 27 percent less than that under 1939 levels.

The UPW had requested a \$535 increase to restore 1939 living standards, immediate upgrading of vital services, a 40-hour week which is 12 years overdue, since federally enacted in 1938, restoration of wage cuts running as high as \$15 a week and a \$250 increase for all employees on city payrolls since 1948 who had not received the temporary cost of living bonus.

"Instead of these—the minimum for effective, decent and humane working conditions," the UPW

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Coast Dockers Win Pact, Balk Teamster Raid

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30.—The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, led by Harry Bridges, has reached an agreement on a three-year extension of their contract covering 5,000 Bay Area warehouse workers. The agreement was viewed as a crippling blow to the raiding operations of the AFL Teamsters against ILWU Local 6.

Agents of Dave Beck, West Coasts Teamster "Czar," were gambling on a stalemate in negotiations and expiration of the master contract on May 31.

In addition to the three-year renewal, the agreement provides for:

- A fifth round wage increase of 2½ cents an hour. (Six months ago, the union won a 10-cent hourly raise after a 104-day strike, lifting wages to the highest in the industry.)

- An additional holiday, bringing the total to seven.

- A \$500 life insurance policy for every worker, financed by the employer.

- Wage reopenings in 1951 and 1952, though the agreement rules out strikes or lockouts until the 1952 reopener.

Hilliard Fires 4 UPW Members

By Arnold Sroog

Welfare Commissioner Raymond Hilliard yesterday fired four employees of the Welfare Department and suspended 28 others in a move aimed at crushing resistance to the Commissioner's anti-union drive.

The harsh action by Hilliard, who has been under severe fire for his brutal slashes in relief allotments, followed a protest delegation last Friday to Bronx Welfare Director Michael Rappaport against discriminatory transfer of a union official.

Leaders of the protest delegation were Frank Herbst, president of Local 1 of the United Public Workers, and James Griest, president of the Sanitation local of the UPW.

Those hit by the Hilliard reprisals were all militant members of the UPW, who had been fingered by Hilliard's stoolpigeons in the Welfare Department, especially by

members of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists. Rappaport himself is a leader of the company union set up sponsored for city employees jointly by the O'Dwyer administration and the CIO.

TRANSFER UNIONIST

Friday's protest delegation arose out of the transfer of David Talbert, Negro grievance chairman of Welfare Council 40, from the Bronx to the Brownsville Welfare Center. For the past seven months Hilliard has been following the policy of shifting union militants to the Brownsville Center from all over the city, earning that center the

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FRANCO MAKES A KILLING ON FREE U. S. SPUDS

The Franco Government and its hangers-on are making a big killing in the sale of surplus U. S. potatoes which they have bought here for the cost of the bags.



An Associated Press dispatch from Madrid yesterday reported that the potatoes which Franco buys for 20 cents a ton here are being sold in the black market in Madrid for \$200.

The people of Spain are paying one thousand times as much for potatoes as the U. S. sold them for.

15,000 Demonstrate At Chrysler Plant

By William Allan

DETROIT, March 30.—Fifteen thousand Chrysler strikers demonstrated today at the company's Jefferson-Kercheval plant as the strike entered its 10th week. The turnout, biggest at any one plant

since the strike began, was achieved on 24 hours notice through sending each worker a letter asking him to show the company he was sticking with the union.

It was a setback for the company, which expected that nine weeks of strike in the depth of winter would weaken the strikers' morale.

UAW president Walter Reuther at a rally attended by thousands after the demonstration, was applauded when he declared, "there will be no selling down the river of this strike."

Reuther said that the strike would not be settled except by a good contract, but he still insisted that pension and insurance are

the only economic demand.

A little enthusiasm was aroused by his repetition of, "we are fighting for a 10 cent pension and insurance package."

He made no mention of the fact that yesterday UAW-CM negotiators opened discussions with the corporation for a 31 cent an hour wage package, of which 22 cents goes for pension, improved vacation pay, severance pay and insurance and nine cents for a straight hourly wage boost.

Reuther did not repeat his remarks of two weeks ago at the Coliseum, where 20,000 were present, that "the longer this strike goes on the more we will add to the demands."

BLUM
Three-Time Premier

Leon Blum Dies; French SP Chief

PARIS, March 30.—Leon Blum, French Socialist Party leader and three times premier, died today at his country home near Paris following a heart attack. He was 77.

Blum was premier of France in 1936 and 1937, during the years of the popular front when the Socialists and Communists united against fascism. Under Blum, however, the Socialist Party moved to the right and participated in the non-intervention policy which aided Franco's war against Republican Spain.

In 1938, he was premier for a month. After the war Blum headed a provisional government for two months—December, 1946, and January, 1947. At that time the French Communists who had led the resistance movement against the Nazis were in the government. Following a visit to the United States, Blum bowed to the wishes of the cold-war advocates and supported the policy which ousted the Communists from the government.

Blum was born in Paris, April 9, 1872, son of an Alsatian silk manufacturer. He joined the Socialist Party in 1899.

In 1940-Blum was arrested after the Germans occupied France. He was placed on trial by the Germans at Riom in 1942, but it was called off by the Germans.

Sidewalks OF NEW YORK

Students Answer Their Profs

By Joseph North

The campus, we've been told, is the bastion of free inquiry, democracy in America. But some educators are worried. The colleges, they say, are a "vacuum." They complain of a barrier between them and the students. "Why?" they ask.

Yesterday I recounted some reactions of students who had their say on this at NYU. There is much more. You encounter many veterans. They strike you as young men who've been through the mill. They know a lot, and they're not talking. Not in the class-room. Some are scorched by cynicism, have gotten no inspiration, no moral sustenance from their educators. They are aware of the gathering clouds, but many think they will play it safe, maybe they will get that elusive job if they go down in the storm-cellar, quiet.

A young ex-infantryman replied: "There are always the

wolves and there are the sheep. The wolves may turn on one another but the sheep get eaten. I'll play it with the wolves. Of course, it's a career or conscience." He was referring to the comment of the Rev. R. J. McCracken of Riverside Church, of Prof. F. J. Bassett, State Teachers' dean.

The infantryman's companion interjected: "That's a hell of a statement. You can't have a career and be square with your conscience?"

The other laughed, that scornful laugh of youth that is dreadful when it is tinged with cynicism: "Try it," he said.

I replied: "Okay, for argument's sake. You're ready to abandon conscience for the career. But suppose there are no careers either, like 1931. Then what?"

"Then," he said slowly, "then we'll admit what we're thinking. I'm afraid to admit that even to myself. I know the mon-

opolies are taking over. That's Marxism, isn't it? Well, then you Marxists are right."

I cite these as expressions gotten at random. Many others were similar. I believe it would be error to believe many students aren't thinking. But most I saw won't talk. They have a headful of ideas, a heartful of apprehensions, but they're not prepared to act on them. Not yet. They see their educators—in the main—playing it safe.

They expect leadership, guidance, strength from them. They didn't get it. Hence this barrier the educators fear. You cannot expect youth to revere age that has grown cautious, fearful, mum.

Overall, there is unspoken apprehension of tomorrow. A year ago they figured they'd keep their ideas to themselves, and they'd get that job. They'd play it safe, run, as one student said, "with the wolves." Today, they begin to fear the "wolves

have turned on them," there will be no job. Tomorrow?

Those to whom I spoke don't see—not yet—that the "conscience" they renounce—social responsibility—is their only salvation. For they regard conscience as "starry-eyed idealism," an expensive luxury in the time of the toad.

What they don't see, as yet, is that this "conscience" is imperative, a political, economic necessity. They've forgotten, or

rather, they never learned what a previous generation learned in the turbulent years of the New Deal—that they must stand together or fall separately. That and only that will save them their careers as well as their souls.

I'm convinced many will learn that fast, for the absence of jobs is a persuasive teacher, far more so than their present faculty. Whether they want it or not, they will be obliged to "have communication" with their new educator, Prof. Experience.

And again will come the American Galileos, the students, the educators who will stand fast. The quest for truth will prevail over the Torquemadas.

But if they joined those who reject silence, if they talked up today, they would reach that time without passing through the hell of fascism.

Many, I believe, stand on the threshold of that realization. They want leadership, inspiration, confidence, and the majority of their professors have abdicated.

That, my dear Dr. Bassett, is the reason for the "barrier" between you and the students.



ACLU Chiefs Assail Terror In Pittsburgh

By James H. Dolsen

PITTSBURGH, March 30.—"This country needs more—not less—free speech," declared Roger N. Baldwin, long-time executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Baldwin and his successor Patrick Murphy Malin, were here Monday for conferences dealing with local wave of anti-Communist terrorization following the stoolpigeon Matt Cvetic's House Un-American testimony, both condemned the wholesale violation of constitutional rights here.

At a press conference Baldwin declared that "undercover agents are a dirty way of doing business. When this sort of thing happens people stop saying what they think."

Malin stated that while the ACLU is for curbing really subversive actions, it holds that expression of ideas should be completely free of interference up to the point where they eventuate in an illegal act.

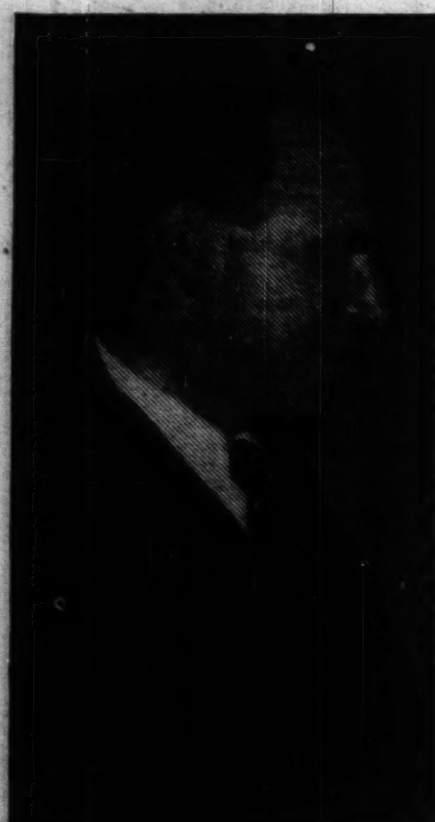
Referring to victimization of individuals fingered as "Communists" by Cvetic, Malin pointed out that "all guilt is personal, not the result of signing a petition or joining an organization. For this reason," he said that "mere membership in the Communist Party is not a sign of guilt." Baldwin interjected that "there are no crimes of opinion."

HIT MUSMANN

Both deplored the barring of Miss Alice Roth by Judge Michael A. Musmanno from grand jury duty on the ground that as an alleged Communist she was unfit to serve.

The ACLU, Malin emphasized, stood by the letter of its general counsel, Arthur Garfield Hays, warning the Pittsburgh School Board that its exclusion of the Communist Party, the Progressive Party or any other particular group from use of the schools for public meetings is absolutely unconstitutional.

At a luncheon given in their honor by the local ACLU, Malin said: "When I was active in my local civil rights group and such a violation occurred, I took a del-



BALDWIN
"A dirty business"

egation and went to the meeting of the school board and there protested the action. There is no question your school board is violating the law. You should go and tell them so."

Just after the two ACLU leaders left Pittsburgh the school board announced its refusal of permits asked by the Progressive Party for a meeting in the Weil School April 17. The Progressives say that they will utilize very available means to enforce their right to the use of the school.

The Pittsburgh Press and the Sun-Telegraph suppressed the story of the Baldwin-Malin press conference in line with their conspiracy of silence regarding the growing protests against the terror.

AS WE SEE IT, a column by Robert F. Hall, Washington correspondent, appears Mondays and Wednesdays in the Daily Worker.

Workers Hold Fast, Company Gives Way

HAMMOND, Ind., March 30.—The American Steel Foundry fired a worker for refusing to do two jobs in place of one. All the workers walked off the job.

Steel union international representatives got the local president to call an emergency meeting at which the men were told to go back to work.

Only one man out of the 600 voted to return to work. The meeting was hastily adjourned.

Next day the company backed down on the discharge and promised to arbitrate a number of long-standing grievances.

Landlords Seek A Rent 'Derby' In Louisville

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 30 (FP).—Although public officials report a shortage of 25,000 homes for families in low-income brackets, local real estate interests are demanding an end to rent controls here.

According to Regional Housing Administrator Nicholas H. Dosker, there are at least 10,000 substandard houses in Louisville and "somewhere between 5,000 and 10,000 families still living doubled up."

Only rarely, he said, are more than ten houses offered for rent in newspaper advertisements—then only at high prices. "The demand for new homes and for apartments, particularly in the low and middle income groups, has not slackened appreciably," he said.

The viewpoint of Louisville workers was expressed recently by Alderman Leo Lucas. An international vice-president of the International Stove Mounters Union, AFL, he represents one of the poorest sections of the city, where thousands lived in chicken coops, garages, alley shacks and coal houses.

"The people still want rent control," he said. "We need \$30-\$35-a-month apartments. . . . The situation is bad and will continue until people can go out and find vacant apartments."

The Emergency Housing Center has reported that 71 percent of the families in need of homes have incomes of less than \$50 weekly.

But landlord spokesman Lewis R. Long has denounced controls. "The housing shortage is a thing of the past," he said. "There are not as many people doubled up today as during the depression."

Poverty and Jimcrow Bar Elimination of TB

By the Physicians Forum

(Federated Press)

DURING the past half century there has been a steady decline in the tuberculosis death rate. The dread white plague is no longer listed as the leading cause of death in the United States. There is no doubt that these facts indicate real progress in the control of this preventable disease.

It is also true, however, that tuberculosis is still the most significant and dangerous single infectious disease in our country. This is especially true for all young people, for workers living in crowded slums and, most of all, for the Negro people in the U.S.

Progress in the wiping out of tuberculosis has been real but spotty. Negroes in many of our major cities show a tuberculosis death rate up to 10 times as great as white persons in those same cities.

Jimcrow plays a major part in maintaining tuberculosis. The crowded ghettos, unemployment, the denial of opportunities for education and the lack of adequate medical care are important contributors to tuberculosis—and all are part of the Jimcrow pattern. The present campaign for an FEPC (fair employment practice) law is part of the fight against TB.

IN ADDITION to pointing out the special problems of the Negro, the tuberculosis figures indicate certain other groups which require special concentration if tuberculosis is to be eliminated. Our poorer states have many more tuberculosis deaths for each 100,000 people than the wealthier states.

The fact that the death rate for TB is almost 10 times as high in states with the highest tuberculosis death rates as it is in the states with the lowest rates is

proof that much can be done.

In many areas, male workers show greater losses from tuberculosis than women in the same places. The older age groups in general have been hit harder by tuberculosis in recent years than ever before. Fifty years ago only one out of every four people who died of tuberculosis was over the age of 45. Today, almost one-half of the TB deaths are among people over 45 and almost one-eighth of tuberculosis deaths occur in persons over the age of 65.

IT IS URGENT that we recognize this shift in the age groups which are affected by tuberculosis. Many older people still have the idea that tuberculosis is a disease of young people and fail to participate in the X-ray screening programs of local tuberculosis associations, health departments, fraternal orders, and trade unions. Since many of these older men and women help take care of children and participate actively in community life, they can be dangerous carriers of the tubercle bacilli.

Since tuberculosis is an expensive disease to diagnose and treat, only the very wealthy can afford private medical facilities. Furthermore, an active and contagious case of tuberculosis is a danger to the entire community. Tuberculosis control is therefore a community problem.

The local health department or tuberculosis association is the place to find out what your community is doing and what you can do to help fight tuberculosis. And don't forget your own annual physical examination and chest X-ray

Mrs. Figueiredo Free On Exorbitant Bail

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., March 30.—Mrs. Eulale Figueiredo was released here on \$5,000 bail posted by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born which protested the excessive sum.

A petition for a writ of habeas corpus had been denied in the court. Bail was posted because Mrs. Figueiredo, born in Portugal, was ill during detention and an appeal would have forced her to continue to stay in jail.

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ON THE CITY'S SCHOOLS

Laud Chelsea PTA Drive for New School

The Chelsea News, a community paper, this week praised the activities of the Parent-Teacher Association in P. S. 33 for efforts to get a new school. "It is by methods like these" said the News, "in which people care enough about a measure to spend the money and take the time to appear publicly in its behalf, to write letters and to call upon their public representatives, that progress in a democracy is made."

The Parents Association in P. S. 33 acted to create a Chelsea Citizens' Committee for a new junior high school in this badly crowded working-class area, after a delega-

tion went to Albany during the budget hearing. The mothers from P. S. 33 were so shocked by the callousness of the "people's representatives" that they came back determined to fight for their children's needs as never before.

They organized a committee which in a few days got hundreds of signatures to a petition for a new school. They appealed to community leaders to join the fight. Among the participants in the Chelsea Committee are Mrs. Alice Kolihier, well-known educational leader, Mrs. Louise Mitchell, Miss Adele Franklin, special teacher for the Board of Education, etc.

A delegation of parents and members of the Citizens Committee plans to see Dr. Greenberg, responsible for the Chelsea school district this week.

SPEAK OUT FOR PEACE!



A Child Asks 'Do I Have a Future?'

A letter sent to the Parents Bulletin of P. S. 19, Manhattan, by a nine-year-old child asked: "If it is worth studying my lessons and planning for the future in the light of development of the hydrogen bomb. Is there going to be any future for us?"

At a meeting last week, the parents decided to send copies of the letter to President Truman and to the United Nations. They added their plea that "negotiations for peace among nations be conducted," and every effort be made to "assure our children a future of peace, security and well-being." The child's letter said:

"I am a boy of nine years of age and in the fourth grade in school. I wish to graduate public school and high school. I will work very hard at my studies and after graduating from high school I want to go to medical school to study. . . . All my

friends also talk about what they will do when they will graduate from school. Ever since I heard about the hydrogen bomb over the radio and heard the terrible things that could happen to the people and to the cities if it were dropped for reasons of some selfish people who think only of themselves and not of anything that really matters, I wonder if it is worth studying my lessons and planning for the future because I do not understand about such things but I do know that if there will not be a future there is no reason preparing for something that is not to be. . . . I would like to know: Is there going to be a future for us?"

Yours very truly,
EDWARD STEPHENS.

Jansen Defends Whitewash Of Bias in City Schools

By Ann Rivington

Superintendent of Schools William Jansen defended his white-wash of May Quinn, pro-fascist teacher, the anti-Negro textbooks he wrote and corporal punishment in the classroom, at an Interracial platform of the Convent Ave. Baptist Church in Harlem last Sunday.

Dr. Jansen whitewashed discrimination in the city's schools by brazen and cynical denial of the facts. While he was speaking, members of the Harlem Council on Education distributed leaflets in front of the church, calling for "Better Schools—Not Witchhunts."

Overcrowding in Harlem schools? Dr. Jansen had a ready answer: "Class size is lower in Harlem than in most parts of the city." This, in spite of the fact that 23 schools in Harlem have 6,374 more pupils than they were built to accommodate.

Dilapidated schools in Harlem? Dr. Jansen "regrets" that the problem is a "financial one." He asserted that the lack of money for education and school buildings has nothing to do with politics.

In spite of the fact that Harlem has gotten only two new schools in the past 10 years to handle its fast-growing and already chronically crowded and Jimcrowded population, he told the church forum, "We have built more schools in Harlem than in any other part of Manhattan or the Bronx."

Asked why he permits use of textbooks which include derogatory and discriminatory statement about the Negro people, he answered, "We have to be fair. . . . We're trying to give no one a just complaint."

Referring to his own textbook, which speaks about "the native people of Africa, most of whom belong to the Negro race, are very backward," Jansen said, "I just said that most of the people in Africa are Negroes and the Teachers Union tried to twist that!"

Hisses could be heard in the church when Jansen defended the witchhunt firing charges of Mrs. Sylvia Schneiderman, teacher well-loved by children and parents in P. S. 3, in the Brooklyn Bedford-Stuyvesant community.

When a member of the audience asked, "Why is May Quinn still in the school system?" Jansen replied by admitting that Miss Quinn made a statement which "could be interpreted" as anti-Negro.

"But investigation proved," he



MAY QUINN

Jansen Again Defends Her Bias

said, "that she had given lessons against discrimination. I therefore reprimanded her but did not bring her up on charges!"

Questioned about the prevalence of corporal punishment in the classroom, and the striking of children with ruler, Jansen said, "I suppose once in a while the teacher gets human and loses control."

As the parents walked out into the streets, conversations could be heard in little groups, planning a delegation for a new school for P. S. 170.

Our Readers Say . . .

Victimize Honor Student For Parents' Views

Editor, School Page:

My son's teacher had a long disciplinary conversation with him, telling him that the wrong papers must be read in his home, and insisting that instead of a book review of Fast's *The Unvanquished* that he write instead on *Little Men*! I have heard since from parents that these incidents are increasing, not only in frequency but in brazenness.

I should like to see some common action developed in the PTA's and insistence that the UPA take recognition of these developments. Why cannot the mothers of victimized children get together and demand an audience with the Board of Education to force democratic procedures in the classroom?

MRS. D. C.
P. S. 68.

School Censors Parents' Reading

Editor, School Page:

Even a proposal for the Parent Teachers group to affiliate with the United Parents Association is "red" these days, as one Manhattan mother and her child discovered several weeks ago. The day after the mother proposed this at the PTA meeting, the child, an honor roll student, was called in and

taken off the honor roll!

During the formation of a new parents' club in Queens, before a constitution had been adopted, the Catholic hierarchy and the Legion brought in their members (non-members in the association) to push through a clause denying membership to Communists.

In another Queens school, an anti-Semitic principal, seeking to control the parents' association and working closely with the hierarchy, dragged the red-herring across the simple issue of whether or not she could sit on the executive board of the Association.

The Church took the question up officially, briefing its worshippers at Mass. The Liberal Party and the local B'nai B'rith, under reactionary leadership went along. The odds seemed overwhelming. The issue became so violent that meetings in anti-Semitic outbursts and it looked as if the organization would be torn apart. The democratic forces decided to ring doorbells.

When the final vote came, the parents' forces had won. What had seemed like a "little" democratic question, had become a major battle in the community.

In a third school, a brotherhood program for the parents, which included the mild-spoken Algernon Black as speaker and a Cantata on Brotherhood as a musical feature, spurred the local hierarchy into the

fray in the same manner to save the community from the "reds." Instead of retreating in dismay, the Association publicized the unwarranted interference. At a meeting of over 400 parents, the original action was unanimously endorsed.

In every case the "red" smear has been used to becloud and confuse. When the issues are carefully explained to the parents and the community as a whole, they readily accept it and fight for it. The answer to anti-democratic pressures and intimidation is to tackle the issues squarely, simply and effectively and with confidence in the desire of every parent for the well-being and security of his or her child.

F. C.

Wayne U. Students To Hear Communist

DETROIT, March 30. — The Wayne University Programs Planning Committee has approved a request from the Student Council to sponsor a debate between Dr. Herbert Phillips, discharged Communist professor, and Dr. Alfred H. Kelly, associate professor of history.

The subject of the debate, scheduled for April 28 is: "Should a Communist Party Member be Allowed to Teach in an American University?"

A Hot Tip for Sen. McCarthy

Back in the summer of 1938, a 28-year-old South Dakota school teacher attended a couple of Communist Party meetings in Denver as program director for the Rocky Mountain Writers Conference. He subscribed to the *Daily Worker* and *New Masses* magazine, too.

Under the provisions of the Mundt police-state bill, now before the Senate, this American could be harassed, terrorized and witchhunted right out of a job and into jail.

And that's pretty old. Because the fellow who could so easily be smeared as a "fellow-traveller" and "subversive" of 22 years' standing happens to be . . . the au-

thor of the Mundt Bill itself, Sen. Karl Mundt.

Of course it's hardly likely that Mundt himself, will ever find himself in his own net.

But the fact that even this police-state plugger could be legally victimized under his own legislation proves dramatically just how sweeping are the Mundt Bill's anti-democratic provisions.

For Mundt admits to having attended Communist meetings which he knew were Communist meetings; to subscribing to journals he knew were Communist and to associate with people he knew were Communist.

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Around the Globe

By Joseph Clark

Acheson's Words and Puerto Rican Facts

WHAT KIND of reading do Acheson's speeches make in Puerto Rico? We ask, because in his big speech about Asia and colonies a couple of weeks ago, the Secretary of State said:

"The United States has consistently supported and will continue to support the movement of these people toward self-government and national independence."

We ask because a tragedy-comedy is being enacted in Washington right now on the future of the 2,200,000 people of the Caribbean island nation.

The subject people of Puerto Rico have no representatives in Congress. But one of their misfortunes is that there's a man who pretends to represent them—the Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico, Fernos-Isern. He has introduced a bill in Congress (HR 7674) purporting to provide "constitutional government" for the people of Puerto Rico. Also in Washington for some time has been the "president" of Puerto Rico, Munoz Marin, in whose behalf the high commissioner introduced his measure.

A DAY AFTER Mr. Acheson made his speech about the "independence" of nations, another man rose in the Congress of the United States to speak about colonialism. He spoke not of other people's colonies but about this American colony—Puerto Rico.

It seems to me that Vito Marcantonio's speech in reply to the above-mentioned bill on a Puerto Rican constitution will be remembered long after Acheson's speech will be a forgotten relic.

What the Harlem Congressman proved was that the High Commissioner's bill perpetuates the colonial domination over Puerto Rico which was established by force of arms 51 years ago. Proof? The words of the Resident Commissioner himself, inserted in the Congressional Record on March 14.

"The Congress of the United States since 1900 has provided for the operation of Federal laws in Puerto Rico. It has determined the economic relationships to exist between Puerto Rico and the mainland. It has determined that the people of Puerto Rico are United States citizens. Such legal and economic provisions of our organic act the people of Puerto Rico are not aiming to disturb. Rather, they wish to affirm them and expressly register their consent to their application."

Nothing will be changed by this phony constitution, in other words. And what have these economic and legal provisions, which the High Commissioner and Munoz Marin think of so highly, meant for the people of Puerto Rico?

There are 300,000 unemployed in Puerto Rico, which would be about the same as if the U. S. had 21,000,000 unemployed!

"Citizens of the U. S." those gentlemen say. They are citizens of the U. S. just as the Americans were citizens of Britain before the revolution. Deprived of representation in our legislature, the Puerto Ricans are taxed nevertheless. As Marcantonio put it in his speech:

"We can tax the Puerto Rican people besides having the power to send them to war. Thus we do not only impose upon the Puerto Ricans taxation without representation, but we also impose upon them a tax on the blood of their people."

AS A MATTER OF FACT, under the Spanish regime the Puerto Rican people had won the right of representation in the Spanish Cortes. When the U. S. conquered Puerto Rico from Spain the Puerto Ricans lost even that small gain for which thousands had spilled their blood.

Three-fourths of the people of Puerto Rico are ill-clothed, ill-housed and ill-fed. Why? Because they are exploited in the same ruthless way that imperialism exploits any of its colonies. For example, Congress does not allow Puerto Rico to refine more than 15 percent of its sugar. The other 85 percent must be guaranteed for American sugar refiners.

Wall Street and its government have prevented the industrialization of Puerto Rico, forced a one-crop agriculture on her, and guaranteed perpetual poverty for Puerto Rico as long as she remains an American colony.

FACTS ARE FACTS, and this is to inform you that George Morris and Ted Tinsley have pulled way out in front in our Fund Drive. So thank you, P. A. D., for the \$1, and all other friends of Around the Globe are invited to join him.

VIRGIL



Letters from Readers

Talking Through Their Hats

DANBURY, Conn.
Editor, Daily Worker:

As a worker in the hatting industry for some 25 years, I couldn't help noticing the headlines in the Connecticut press regarding the plight of my trade.

Last week, Mr. Marx Lewis, general secretary of the United Hat, Cap and Millinery International Union, AFL, and spokesman for the Hat Institute, appeared before the Foreign-Trade Policy Committee and tried to blame the import of a relatively small amount of Czechoslovakian hats and hat bodies for the increased unemployment among the hatters.

Are these "spokesman" fooling the hatters? I don't think so. The hatters well remember the many dull times. They can see that the stated value of the imported Czechoslovakian hats translated into dozens of hats would only benefit between 250 and 300 workers if made in the U.S. But what about the other thousands in Danbury, Norwalk and elsewhere who are either

unemployed or on a two to three day work week?

The hatters are aware that the speed-up and growing monopolization of the hatting industry by the big four is raising havoc with their jobs; they know that the increasing impoverishment of workers makes it impossible to buy such a luxury as a greatly overpriced new hat, when it becomes increasingly difficult to buy even clothes, shoes, food and to pay the rent. No, the hatters are not as dumb as Marx Lewis may make them out to be.

Let these lying spokesmen rave and rant about "slave labor behind the iron curtain," etc. But why don't they mention that half the hatting industry is unorganized, for which they bear some responsibility? Why don't they speak of the exploited workers, Negro and white, in the shops preparing the fur for the hat industry? And what about their failure to state that the organized hat shops use non-union hat bodies? Let them seek sensational headlines, but their diversion fools none of the workers.

DANBURY HATTER.

Press Roundup

THE HERALD TRIBUNE strains to gain comfort from the fact that Secretary of State Dean Acheson, by naming a Republican to advise him at the forthcoming London conference of the Wall Street bloc, is "repairing the breach" in the bipartisan foreign policy. The Trib evidently believes that it's more important to have both Republicans and Democrats running our discredited, collapsing foreign policy than it is to change policies.

THE NEWS, which has a long record of anti-Negro and anti-Semitic bias, makes like it's delighted with City College's basketball triumphs. "Wonderful, terrific, superb," the News gushes over the team made up entirely of boys from the minority groups it maligns.

THE POST'S Frank Kingdon, who rummages in other men's anti-Soviet slanders as a pig roots in swill, has discovered that some typewriter liars have lately revived the myth of So-

viet anti-Semitism. So Kingdon dutifully blabs about the "assassination of the Jewish spirit" in Russia. And all his garbage is pegged on the allegedly sinister fact that an American Jew, writing to a Russian relative, got the envelope back marked "address unknown." Kingdon obviously can't believe there's a country where they've got new homes to move to.

THE JOURNAL - AMERICAN'S George E. Sokolsky also writes about the "systematic persecution of Jews" in eastern Europe, just like Kingdon. The pro-fascist Hearst hireling and the Social Democratic phony are logically united in their anti-Soviet smear.

THE TIMES says that "Franco relies upon a coalition of army, church, big business, big landowners (who are nearly all aristocrats) and the Falange, which is a fascist political party and movement." Who sneaked that truth serum in the editor's coffee?—R.F.

World of Labor

By George Morris

Curran's Strategy To Kill the Hiring Hall

JOE CURRAN, entering negotiations for a new contract for East Coast seamen, announced a new strategy. He informed the shipowners in advance that the union won't strike. Why? Because "the Communists would welcome a strike." That token of goodwill will undoubtedly turn the shipowners into very amiable fellows when they sit down to negotiate.

This is more than a gesture from Joe, who is the best union leader the shipowners ever enjoyed. The procedure of the National Maritime Union requires 30 days for a referendum to authorize a strike. Since its inception the union always has gone through that procedure before it entered the negotiations. The strike weapon ready for use was the only convincing argument the seamen ever had in any discussions with the shipowners.

The new contract talks became necessary because the Supreme Court scrapped the very basis of the existing pact—the rotary hiring hall. Apparently Curran is not planning to ask anything that should cause any bad feelings with the shipowners. He already has forgotten about the hiring hall and is talking only of certain "hiring practices" that could be mutually agreeable.

HE HAS NOT YET seen it fit to ask the members what they think. From all indications the Curran mob is setting the stage for a quiet burial of the hiring hall—the hiring hall which many seamen struggled, bled and died to get. Part of Joe's scheme is building up illusions among the members in the proposed legislation in Congress providing some sort of a substitute for the outlawed hiring hall. The Curranites and the CIO leadership apparently think the seamen will still be suckers for that bait after the experience they have had on Taft-Hartley and about every other Truman promise.

Those nice people, the shipowners, have their own ideas. They say they want a "hiring hall" they could use "voluntarily," meaning they'd ask the union for men if none were available on the docks, and that they'd have a right to reject those men.

That sort of an arrangement shouldn't be difficult. Joe had already undermined the union's hiring hall when he allowed the shipowners to blacklist men for political reasons or because they are Negroes, Puerto Ricans or aliens. That's exactly what U. S. Lines is doing. If Joe's mob could only get some assurances of jobs for its favorite members everything would be fine. And the thousands of jobless seamen would be simply told that they are victims of the Supreme Court.

JOE'S BOYS have already seriously undermined even the idea of some worthwhile legislation for a hiring hall. The grand racket of selling jobs and union books operating right in the NMU administration machine, is not going to help get that sort of legislation. As already noted in this column two of Joe's top paid lieutenants were caught selling an estimated 125 union books at an average of \$200 each. A third Curran man, Faust Portela, was arrested and is still in jail for want of \$20,000 bail. The whole business is going to a grand jury investigation. Meanwhile there is a falling out developing inside the Curran administration. New York port agent John T. Hunt brought charges against dispatcher Ignacio Diaz for job-selling. The latter threw a similar charge against Hunt.

All this chimes in perfectly with the claims of Curran and company at house committee hearings that a hiring hall would bar discrimination and job selling. What the seamen are really finding out is that a hiring hall of itself is no insurance against corruption. A democratic union and honest officials must go with it to provide that insurance.

The seamen have an opportunity to tackle both phases of the problem. They could first raise the demand for a real hiring hall and prepare to strike for it if need be. That would serve to convince Joe Curran, the shipowners and legislators in Washington that the seamen mean business and won't be swindled out of a hiring hall. Secondly they could vote the Curran gang out of office in the union balloting starting April 1, and thereby provide for an honest administration of the rotary hiring system.

PRESS FUND: Hearty thanks to T. of Boston for \$10 and P. A. Dean of New York for \$1. That brings the total to \$89.

COMING: Rossellini Tells Off Hollywood . . . In The Worker this weekend

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Dennis' Basic Challenge

THE POLITICAL TIME-CLOCK is ticking away in the far-reaching case of Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party. It is also ticking away for the democratic rights of the rest of the country.

Within 12 days, Dennis will ask the Supreme Court for a re-hearing. The government attorneys will have 10 days to reply. The Court will then be in a position to rule immediately—or to delay its ruling until the basic constitutional issues in the entire Un-American Committee "loyalty" witchhunt are judged.

In the case of the Joint Anti-Fascist Committee, the Supreme Court has delayed for 18 months its rulings on the constitutionality of the right of a Congressional Committee to probe into the private beliefs of Americans. Dennis has challenged this usurpation of power by the Un-American Committee. He has challenged its legality on the equally fundamental ground that the Congress that created it does not give the Negro people representation in the Southern states.

Dennis is challenging the kind of thing which has brought America to the situation where the FBI, the McCarthys and Mundts are able to terrorize the civil service and to make any political disagreement on the part of any American almost impossible. He is challenging the enemies of the Constitution.

The Supreme Court has not ruled on these basic questions. In the Dennis ruling this past week, it ruled that a "loyalty-tested" jury of Government employees can give a fair trial to a victim of the "loyalty" witchhunt. Two judges, Black and Frankfurter, spoke the obvious truth when they referred to the atmosphere of terrorism prevailing in Washington today. If the Court sends Dennis to jail within the next few weeks, he will go to jail before the basic challenge he has made will have been judged.

We believe that no American, regardless of belief, who cherishes political freedom will approve such a procedure. The Court "follows the election returns," Mr. Dooley once said. Personal appeals of the citizenry to the Supreme Court to uphold the traditional right of political dissent will not be without weight. It will be, in fact, part of the defense of the Constitution.

Government By Secret File

BEHOLD the new god—the FBI secret file.

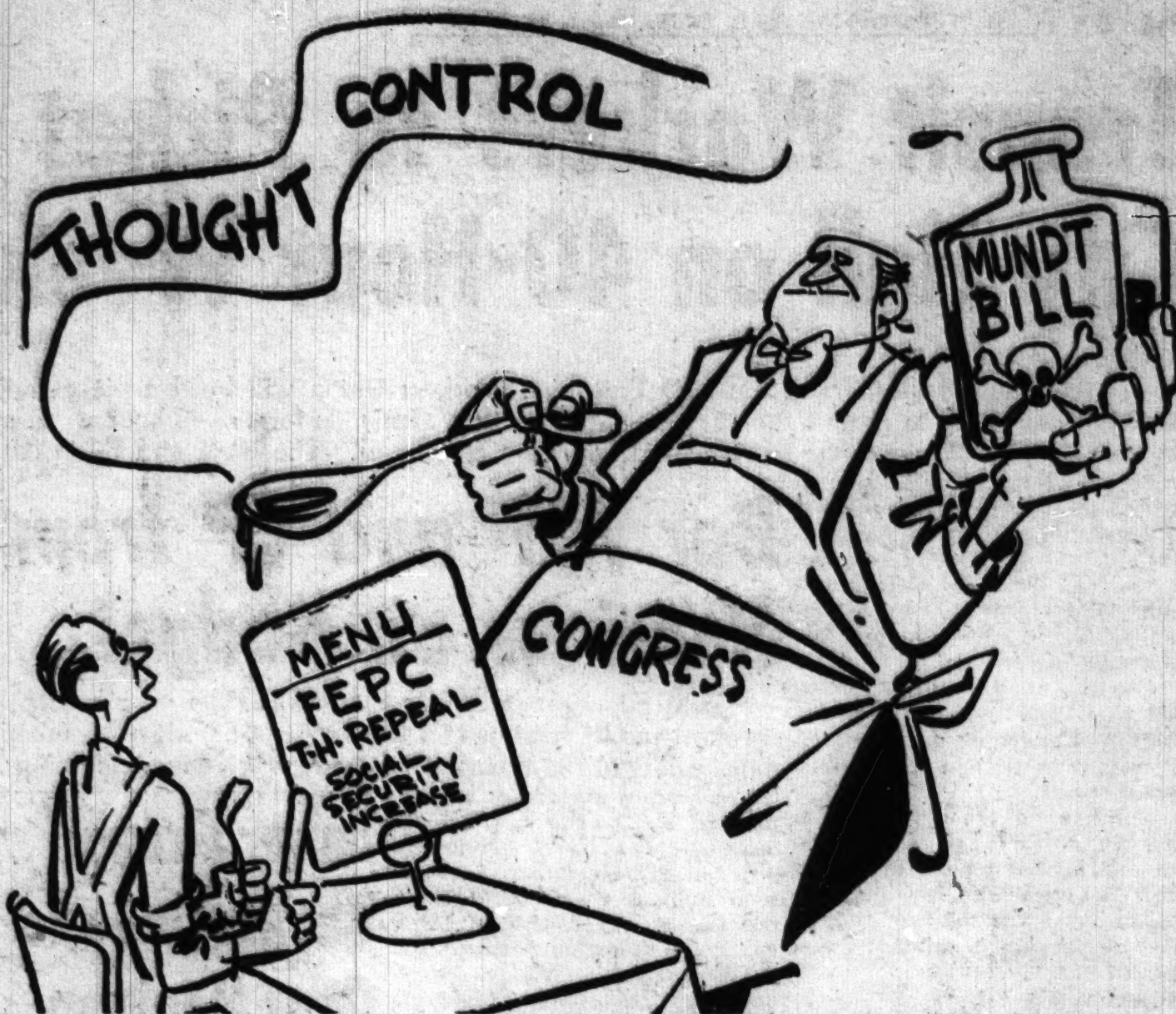
Everyone bows down to it. The neo-fascist Senators—who want to place the label of "treason" on the New Deal's program of American-Soviet friendship—they roar for the FBI files. The trembling victims—accused of having once spoken for peace or for some mild human decency—plead tearfully that the proof of their innocence lies in the FBI's secret files.

And, towering above all the mud-bespattered combatants, looms the figure of J. Edgar Hoover, master of America's new secret political police. He hands down the judgments. He will not open these sacred files. He says it "might injure the innocent."

Oh wonderful irony! The chief of the Gestapo is forced to confess that his sacred files contain mountains of garbage, trashy rumors, malicious scandalmongering, and falsehoods.

WHAT IS the FBI looking for? For felonies, rapes, kidnappings, or other clearly defined crimes? No. There are laws to take care of these. For "treason" maybe? No. The laws of treason are well-established and need no new police to re-define them. What then does this FBI underground apparatus seek? They are WRITING DOWN THE POLITICAL VIEWS OF AMERICA AND PUTTING THEM INTO SECRET FILES.

These files do not contain evidence of crimes; they are nothing but a fascist catalog of the political views and activities of millions of Americans. As long as the country is governed by this imitation-Nazi system of FBI files, the Constitution is being mocked and subverted by its worst enemies.



The Battle for FEPC Is Not Just a Legislative Fight

By William L. Patterson

ROB HALL has done a signal service in writing the story of the lynching of Rep. A. Clayton Powell's Fair Employment Practices (FEPC) Bill by a coalition of Truman Democrats, Dixiecrats and Republicans. Hall's "FEPC—HOW IT WAS BE-

TRAYED: HOW IT CAN BE SAVED" (New Century Publishers) is a valuable little pamphlet. It can be particularly enlightening to those who still believe that the forces led by President Truman are desirous of passing a Civil Rights program that will be helpful in a fundamental way to the Negro people and the advancement of democratic procedure.

The murderous attack of the Trumanites upon the Powell FEPC Bill, led by Texas Sam Rayburn, was neither cunningly conceived nor cleverly executed. The attack was at all times brutal, bold and in the open. Rayburn stated for public consumption that he would not recognize Rep. Lesinski of Michigan who on Calendar Wednesday rose to call up this bill approved by his committee. Truman's man Rayburn proceeded to ignore Lesinski, blazingly and contemptuously and several times.

The maneuvers whereby the other avenues whereby the ordinary bill can reach the floor for vote was blocked to FEPC are also clearly outlined by Hall. The figures of Truman Democrats, Republicans and Dixiecrats are all there in the pamphlet—an equally despicable part played by all. The smart jockeying of other years is a thing of the past. Today fighting lawyers are cynically and savagely kicked out of cases involving constitutional liberties and human rights and legislation advancing either is as cynically betrayed.

HALL HAS SHOWED what the Trumanites could have done if they desired to force a vote on this FEPC issue as the Powell Bill promoted it. It is conceivable that the bill might have passed the House, particularly in view of the fact that Sen. Scott Lucas, Truman's man in the Senate, had intimated that in his opinion it would be strangled there. But a sharp struggle was needed. The NAACP mobilization did not project this.

Hall limits his analysis to the legislative side of the battle. It is that and much more. No warning is given, even in dealing with "HOW FEPC CAN BE SAVED," of the character of struggle that must be waged in the streets and elsewhere for FEPC.

FEPC has splendid prop-

aganda value for reaction, as well as great political value for the forces of progress. This is brought out most forcibly by the profoundly simple remark of New York's great Congressman, Vito Marcantonio, that everyone, Democrats and Republicans alike, "wants civil rights as an issue but not as a law." It is for both of the major parties a magic instrument. Through it illusions can still be maintained by each old party that the one is the friend and the other the enemy of the Negro people. Neither wants a real FEPC law. Their Wall Street masters are against it.

THE SIGNIFICANCE of this illusion becomes manifest when we note how the Negro reformists use it to shield Truman. But if we are aware that Jimcrow and segregation are policies of Democrat and Republican governments alike, and that neither will voluntarily formulate or consistently seek the passage of any legislation fundamentally altering the present degraded status of the Negro people, we can destroy such illusions in the fight for FEPC.

Both parties will invoke terror to force the acceptance of the discrimination in employment, as well as all other Jimcrow practices. Both will maneuver to prevent the passage of favorable legislation. But with a legislative majority or without neither of these political parties will today fight for FEPC unless the movement of the people makes their tenure of office unstable if no positive action in this direction is taken. If Washington is "A Disgrace to the Nation," this Congress is a disgrace to Washington.

If the Negro people are ever to see and understand the historical necessity for the rise of new political parties which will relentlessly combat this infamous bi-partisan policy of government, these facts must constantly be pressed home. The imperialist rulers of the two major parties have passed the hour when they will permit concessions to the Negro people. The placing an individual Negro in high position—that is not only possible—that is a necessary factor in the creation of new illusions. That does not alter the

dehumanized position of the Negro people.

FEPC CAN BE passed; however, and in the 81st Congress. The time is short; the action called for has to be sharp indeed.

Every congressman must know that the people at home want it NOW. Both state legislatures and city councils must be invaded and demands made that they together with Democratic and Republican governors and mayors memorialize Congress to pass an FEPC Bill with teeth in it—the Powell Bill.

This calls for demonstrations, picket lines, demonstrative calls for action from these legislative and administrative bodies. It calls for delegations to churchmen, raising sharply the basic moral content of the fight for FEPC. Words of sympathy are not enough from the Church today. It calls for mass visits to editors, labor editors, as well as editors of the daily press, calling for editorials arousing the people, and especially labor to action.

The fight for FEPC calls for militant struggle for the loosing of the creative genius of the people expressing in new forms and ever increasing numbers protest actions against this latest legislative lynching. The Negro's voice must be strident, not pleading or cringing. Negro labor must demand action from the Greens, Murrys and Reuthers.

BOB HALL'S pamphlet can be very helpful in mobilizing these struggles, for it is an expose of the betrayal of the Truman promises. It proves that the little man from Missouri is naked morally and that he shows the spots of a political leopard.

It goes without saying that this fight is indissolubly linked to the battle of the miners for their constitutional liberties and human rights. What is of even greater significance, as this struggle is developed and the magnificent reserves of the people drawn in to battle, the place of the minority political parties—Progressives as well as Communist—in today's monumental struggles will become clearer and legal lynching of the Communist Party and the Constitution at Foley Square more distinctly understood.

Transit Workers to Picket City Hall on 40-Hour Week

By Bernard Burton

Rank-and-file leaders of the CIO Transport Workers Union will head a picket line at City Hall today to protest the year-long stall on their demands for the 40-hour week at 48 hours pay, a 21-cent wage increase and improved conditions. The Rank and File Committee of Local 100 distributed

leaflets throughout the transit system yesterday, urging a large turnout at 5:30 p.m. today to force action from the Board of Transportation and Mayor O'Dwyer's fact-finding board, which began hearings eight weeks ago.

Leaders of the protest action said they would repeat such picket lines until mounting pressure from transit workers and the public bring results.

The call for the demonstration followed a demand placed by rank-and-file leaders before TWU officials two weeks ago, in which they called upon the officials to rally the membership in militant action to end the stall.

SEND WIRE

A meeting of rank-and-file leaders representing most sections of the City transit system sent a telegram to Matthew Guinan, president of Local 100, declaring:

"We have been requested by many members that if the officers do not mobilize the membership for demonstration in support of our 12-point program the rank and file should take such action itself. We therefore urge that you immediately announce a picket line demonstration at City Hall or some other appropriate action."

There was no response from any union official.

For months, until the rank and file began to show its dissatisfaction, Michael J. Quill, TWU president, and Gustave Fabor, secretary-treasurer, had been telling the workers the 40-hour week was "in the bag."

But at a Board of Estimate meeting on March 9, the Mayor declared he had no intention of establishing a "basic policy" for a 40-hour week for city employees. Meanwhile, the Board of Transportation has been claiming "poverty" despite the dime fare and has been stalling the Fact-Finding Board, appointed by O'Dwyer, the biggest transit employer in New York.

Bar ALP and CP from Hearings on Budget

Political representatives were forbidden the right to speak at public hearings on the 1950-1951 budget by unanimous ruling of the Board of Estimate yesterday. Approving a

list of hearing procedures submitted by secretary Hilda G. Schwartz, the board adopted a series of gag regulations aimed at such militant critics of O'Dwyer policies as the American Labor Party, the Communist Party, and the United Public Workers, which the mayor has characterized as a "political organization."

Here are some of the more brazen restrictions:

- Each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes.

- Not more than one representative of an organization or group will be heard. The UPW, with numerous locals representing all departments of the city administration, appeared to be the specific target.

- Written statements "may not be read"; they will only be "noted" in the record.

- Statements on behalf of political parties or political organizations will not be heard.

- Admittance will be permitted only by cards and "others will be admitted as space is available" — an obvious attempt to keep out progressive city unionists and militant opponents of the budget.

- Speakers must attach a self-addressed envelope to their requests to be heard, another gimmick to deprive opponents of a chance to testify.

Hearings on the budget will be held in the Board of Estimate chamber on Wednesday, April 12, Thursday, April 13 and Friday, April 14, all beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Labor Group Backs Move to Oust Denham

Aaron Schneider, chairman and Charles Fay, secretary treasurer of the New York United Labor Committee to Defeat Taft Hartley yesterday announced support for that phase of the President's reorganization plan which calls for the abolition of the office of the general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, Robert H. Denham.

Schneider and Fay made it clear, however, that even if the President's reorganization plan is defeated in the House or the Senate, the removal of Denham is not conditional upon the passage of this plan.

"Denham can be removed by executive order," they pointed out. "President Truman in every campaign speech announced he was against Taft-Hartley. Robert H. Denham, general counsel has by his role rendered untold hardship to the labor movement. He should be removed first. Then the Taft-Hartley law should be outlawed."

Schneider and Fay called upon all of the local unions in New York City to send similar messages to President Truman.

The committee denounced the plan by the CIO to establish offices in New York City under the leadership of R. J. Thomas for the purpose of raiding the United Public Workers.

Schneider and Fay announced that a full program of support to the Public Workers would be adopted in a few days.

Canada Jobless Organize

OTTAWA, March 30 (Telepress).—The Canadian government's refusal to act on the deepening unemployment crisis has led to a series of protest demonstrations by Canadian jobless and the organization of a union for unemployed workers. Between 400,000 and 450,000 Canadians are now without work, according to trade union figures.

Call Detroit Parley On Deportations

DETROIT, March 30.—A state-wide conference will be held Sunday to mobilize protection for foreign-born workers, some 300 of whom face hearings before Immigration inspectors here beginning this week. The conference sponsored by the Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born will open at 2 p.m. at the Park Ave. Hotel.

Principal speaker will be attorney George Crockett, is one of the five attorneys facing a jail sentence for their defense of the 11 Communist leaders.

18 Groups

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change, progress or reform which is or might be supported by the Communists.

"If enacted, the bill might well be construed as making criminal the performance by an attorney of his duty in defending a Communist client. It might even make criminal the mere advocacy of repeal of the law itself.

"It would inflict serious penalties on individuals—criminal sanctions, social and economic ostracism and character assassination—merely on the ground of association with certain organizations whose natures are not themselves defined with sufficient precision, and would thus inevitably restrict inquiry and thought, belief and expression."

"The bill would inflict penalties by legislative proscription of organizations instead of by judicial proceedings. . . . Hence the bill is a bill of attainder."

The measure is not needed "to authorize prosecution of anyone for actual acts which are genuinely subversive," the statement said, because "they are already covered adequately by a number of laws."

"If this proposed action is taken against Communists today, a dangerous precedent is created for extending it tomorrow to progressives, Socialists or trade unionists."

To prove their point, the signers called attention to a recent statement by Republican National chairman Guy Gabrielson that the Socialists would be next. Gabrielson had said: "We haven't gotten around to spotlight them yet, but I promise you we will. Avowed Socialists have no more place in the official family of the President of the U. S. than have Communists. . . . Socialism is just the first step toward Communism."

The statement of the 18 national organizations was itself permeated with slanders against the Communist movement which it attacked as "totalitarian." It went along with the sponsors of the Mundt-Nixon bill far enough to assent that Communism was "an evil" which the backers of the legislation "seek to control."

Throughout the statement, however, there was implicit the recognition that outlawing the Communist Party was only the first step in the destruction of the Bill of Rights which would lead to injury to all Americans.

Quakers

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tify against this bill," he announced.

Nikoloric told the committee that the bill would make AVC "eligible for designation as a Communist front organization in spite of our long record of opposition to Communism."

Straight cited the battle by right wingers to gain control of AVC. "It hurt our organization," he admitted. "We lost a lot of members, but we don't have any Communists left. And if we do I don't know of any."

Straight declared the Mundt bill would "reduce our capacity to drive a wedge between the Communists and non-Communists."

"Constant pressure and continuing prosperity" are enough to "keep the Communists on the run," Straight advised.

Nikoloric and Rep. Harold Velde (R-III) engaged in a running battle over the purposes of the bill.

Velde, in the course of the argument, said:

"Maybe the Communists would not register, but we'd get them for that. And we'd get Communist sympathizers."

"Communist sympathizers?" Nikoloric asked. "You mean you'd prosecute people who sympathize with the Communists for espionage? You'd have to prove espionage. Sympathy is not enough."

"I recognize in this bill you deprive a certain number of people of their rights," Velde replied. "But we have to have something to combat sabotage and treason. Maybe sympathizers is not the right word. I didn't mean that. Strike it," Velde told the stenographer.


Rep. Bernard Kearney (R-NY) broke into the argument at one point to interject: "I don't think our government is riddled with spies, but we ought to get rid of a lot of people in the Government anyhow."

Three Chaplin Comedy Classics
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Dennis' Basic Challenge

THE POLITICAL TIME-CLOCK is ticking away in the far-reaching case of Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party. It is also ticking away for the democratic rights of the rest of the country.

Within 12 days, Dennis will ask the Supreme Court for a re-hearing. The government attorneys will have 10 days to reply. The Court will then be in a position to rule immediately—or to delay its ruling until the basic constitutional issues in the entire Un-American Committee "loyalty" witchhunt are judged.

In the case of the Joint Anti-Fascist Committee, the Supreme Court has delayed for 18 months its rulings on the constitutionality of the right of a Congressional Committee to probe into the private beliefs of Americans. Dennis has challenged this usurpation of power by the Un-American Committee. He has challenged its legality on the equally fundamental ground that the Congress that created it does not give the Negro people representation in the Southern states.

Dennis is challenging the kind of thing which has brought America to the situation where the FBI, the McCarthys and Mundts are able to terrorize the civil service and to make any political disagreement on the part of any American almost impossible. He is challenging the enemies of the Constitution.

The Supreme Court has not ruled on these basic questions. In the Dennis ruling this past week, it ruled that a "loyalty-tested" jury of Government employees can give a fair trial to a victim of the "loyalty" witchhunt. Two judges, Black and Frankfurter, spoke the obvious truth when they referred to the atmosphere of terrorism prevailing in Washington today. If the Court sends Dennis to jail within the next few weeks, he will go to jail before the basic challenge he has made will have been judged.

We believe that no American, regardless of belief, who cherishes political freedom will approve such a procedure. The Court "follows the election returns," Mr. Dooley once said. Personal appeals of the citizenry to the Supreme Court to uphold the traditional right of political dissent will not be without weight. It will be, in fact, part of the defense of the Constitution.

Government By Secret File

BEHOLD the new god—the FBI secret file.

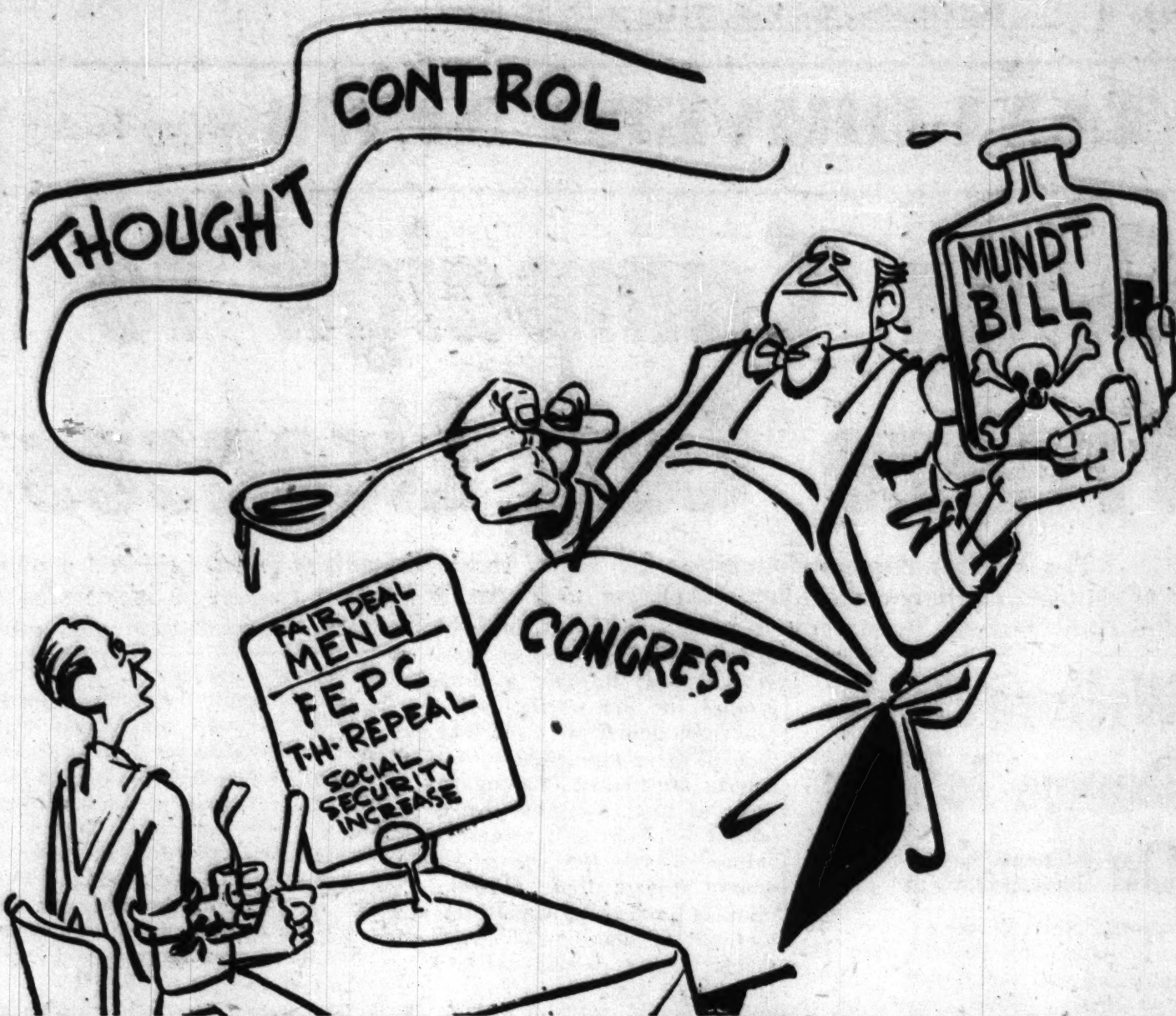
Everyone bows down to it. The neo-fascist Senators—who want to place the label of "treason" on the New Deal's program of American-Soviet friendship—they roar for the FBI files. The trembling victims—accused of having once spoken for peace or for some mild human decency—plead tearfully that the proof of their innocence lies in the FBI's secret files.

And, towering above all the mud-bespattered combatants, looms the figure of J. Edgar Hoover, master of America's new secret political police. He hands down the judgments. He will not open these sacred files. He says it "might injure the innocent."

Oh wonderful irony! The chief of the Gestapo is forced to confess that his sacred files contain mountains of garbage, trashy rumors, malicious scandalmongering, and falsehoods.

WHAT IS the FBI looking for? For felonies, rapes, kidnappings, or other clearly defined crimes? No. There are laws to take care of these. For "treason" maybe? No. The laws of treason are well-established and need no new police to re-define them. What then does this FBI underground apparatus seek? They are WRITING DOWN THE POLITICAL VIEWS OF AMERICA AND PUTTING THEM INTO SECRET FILES.

These files do not contain evidence of crimes; they are nothing but a fascist catalog of the political views and activities of millions of Americans. As long as the country is governed by this imitation-Nazi system of FBI files, the Constitution is being mocked and subverted by its worst enemies.



The Battle for FEPC Is Not Just a Legislative Fight

By William L. Patterson

ROB HALL has done a signal service in writing the story of the lynching of Rep. A. Clayton Powell's Fair Employment Practices (FEPC) Bill by a coalition of Truman Democrats, Dixiecrats and Republicans. Hall's "FEPC—HOW IT WAS BETRAYED: HOW IT CAN BE SAVED" (New Century Publishers) is a valuable little pamphlet. It can be particularly enlightening to those who still believe that the forces led by President Truman are desirous of passing a Civil Rights program that will be helpful in a fundamental way to the Negro people and the advancement of democratic procedure.

The murderous attack of the Trumanites upon the Powell FEPC Bill, led by Texas Sam Rayburn, was neither cunningly conceived nor cleverly executed. The attack was at all times brutal, bold and in the open. Rayburn stated for public consumption that he would not recognize Rep. Lesinski of Michigan who on Calendar Wednesday rose to call up this bill approved by his committee. Truman's man Rayburn proceeded to ignore Lesinski, blazingly and contemptuously and several times.

The maneuvers whereby the other avenues whereby the ordinary bill can reach the floor for vote was blocked to FEPC are also clearly outlined by Hall. The figures of Truman Democrats, Republicans and Dixiecrats are all there in the pamphlet—an equally despicable part played by all. The smart jockeying of other years is a thing of the past. Today fighting lawyers are cynically and savagely kicked out of cases involving constitutional liberties and human rights and legislation advancing either is as cynically betrayed.

HALL HAS SHOWED what the Trumanites could have done if they desired to force a vote on this FEPC issue as the Powell Bill promoted it. It is conceivable that the bill might have passed the House, particularly in view of the fact that Sen. Scott Lucas, Truman's man in the Senate, had intimated that in his opinion it would be strangled there. But a sharp struggle was needed. The NAACP mobilization did not project this.

Hall limits his analysis to the legislative side of the battle. It is that and much more. No warning is given, even in dealing with "HOW FEPC CAN BE SAVED," of the character of struggle that must be waged in the streets and elsewhere for FEPC.

FEPC has splendid propaganda value for reaction, as well as great political value for the forces of progress. This is brought out most forcibly by the profoundly simple remark of New York's great Congressman, Vito Marcantonio, that everyone, Democrats and Republicans alike, "wants civil rights as an issue but not as a law." It is for both of the major parties a magic instrument. Through it illusions can still be maintained by each old party that the one is the friend and the other the enemy of the Negro people. Neither wants a real FEPC law. Their Wall Street masters are against it.

THE SIGNIFICANCE of this illusion becomes manifest when we note how the Negro reformists use it to shield Truman. But if we are aware that Jimcrow and segregation are policies of Democrat and Republican governments alike, and that neither will voluntarily formulate or consistently seek the passage of any legislation fundamentally altering the present degraded status of the Negro people, we can destroy such illusions in the fight for FEPC.

Both parties will invoke terror to force the acceptance of the discrimination in employment, as well as all other Jimcrow practices. Both will maneuver to prevent the passage of favorable legislation. But with a legislative majority or without neither of these political parties will today fight for FEPC unless the movement of the people makes their tenure of office unstable if no positive action in this direction is taken. If Washington is "A Disgrace to the Nation," this Congress is a disgrace to Washington.

If the Negro people are ever to see and understand the historical necessity for the rise of new political parties which will relentlessly combat this infamous bi-partisan policy of government, these facts must constantly be pressed home. The imperialist rulers of the two major parties have passed the hour when they will permit concessions to the Negro people. The placing of an individual Negro in high position—that is not only possible—that is a necessary factor in the creation of new illusions. That does not alter the

dehumanized position of the Negro people.

FEPC CAN BE passed, however, and in the 81st Congress. The time is short; the action called for has to be sharp indeed.

Every congressman must know that the people at home want it NOW. Both state legislatures and city councils must be invaded and demands made that they together with Democratic and Republican governors and mayors memorialize Congress to pass an FEPC Bill with teeth in it—the Powell Bill.

This calls for demonstrations, picket lines, demonstrative calls for action from these legislative and administrative bodies. It calls for delegations to churchmen, raising sharply the basic moral content of the fight for FEPC. Words of sympathy are not enough from the Church today. It calls for mass visits to editors, labor editors, as well as editors of the daily press, calling for editorials arousing the people, and especially labor to action.

The fight for FEPC calls for militant struggle for the loosing of the creative genius of the people expressing in new forms and ever increasing numbers protest actions against this latest legislative lynching. The Negro's voice must be strident, not pleading or cringing. Negro labor must demand action from the Greens, Murphys and Reuthers.

BOB HALL'S pamphlet can be very helpful in mobilizing these struggles, for it is an expose of the betrayal of the Truman promises. It proves that the little man from Missouri is naked morally and that he shows the spots of a political leopard.

It goes without saying that this fight is indissolubly linked to the battle of the miners for their constitutional liberties and human rights. What is of even greater significance, as this struggle is developed and the magnificent reserves of the people drawn in to battle, the place of the minority political parties—Progressives as well as Communist—in today's monumental struggles will become clearer and legal lynching of the Communist Party and the Constitution at Foley Square more distinctly understood.

TAXI DRIVERS' NEWS Every Friday

Open Campaign to Freeze Cab Licenses

The Taxicab Drivers Committee for Trade Union Organization has initiated a petition campaign calling upon Mayor O'Dwyer to freeze the present number of hack licenses. The committee in its statement points out that unless the city administration acts now

Welfare Dep't Dumps Jobless On Hackies

Editor, Daily Worker:

It looks like the Welfare Department has developed a highly reactionary "Brain Trust" to reduce Home Relief costs to the City. As usual, the unemployed suffer

My brother-in-law worked in the garment industry for ten years with one firm. In 1949 the firm closed its New York factory and moved South to escape union wages and also benefit by lower state taxes. When his unemployment insurance ran out he applied for home relief. At the Relief Office, during the investigation, he told them that he could operate an automobile. He was told to exchange his operator's license for a chauffeur's license and they would send him down to get a hack driver's license. About one month later he had followed directions of the Relief Bureau and was a licensed hack driver.

He is now one of the thousands who "shape up" each day at the different taxi garages. So, here we see the O'Dwyer administration "solving" the unemployment problem by shifting the jobless from the Relief Bureaus to the "shape up" of the taxi industry, in the last three months, my brother-in-law has received twelve days work as a taxi driver.

This evil will be corrected only when the hackmen organize into a strong democratic union.—M. B.

the taxi field will once again, as in the past, become a dumping ground for the unemployed.

Results achieved in the first few days of the campaign show taxicab drivers are almost unanimously in favor of this step. One driver reported he entered a restaurant to eat and showed the petition around among drivers there. Within 20 minutes he had 50 signatures and was out of blank petitions. Comments among drivers range from "It's about time we took the bull by the horns" to "you fellows are doing a good job."

Members of the "committee" report that even among some drivers who disagree with them on one point or another, on this issue there

is complete agreement.

The committee statement points up the concern and haste with which the O'Dwyer administration rushed to introduce the higher fare bill at the request of the taxi operators while neglecting to act to protect the drivers from the mounting shape-up. They point out that the Democratic administration has complete control of the city council and can pass the required legislation in no time at all.

The statement concludes with an appeal to all taxi drivers to sign the petition so that the Mayor can be presented with the overwhelming sentiment and demand of New York's taxicab drivers.

My Flag Is Up

GOOD OLD DAYS?

Way back in the Twenties, there was a fleet-owner named Larry Fay who, besides operating a big fleet of taxis, manufactured them (El Fay cabs), operated night clubs, and had a fairly big gang.

One of the ways he operated his taxi fleet is this: If a driver working for him did not reach the "average," the dispatcher never said a bad word, nor gave him a nasty look, nor anything. He just turned this driver's case over to the "business stimulation squad" better known as the "lump squad" under the able leadership of a "Limkey" Mitchell, who would put a couple of knots into the guy's head. This "lump" squad gave out lumps to low bookers freely. Of course, in due time, Mitchell was bumped off by a fellow bumper, and as for M. Fay, the doorman of one of his night clubs opened

the door for him to another world, by pumping four bullets into him New Years Day, 1933.

But giving low bookers lumps were old methods, before the fleet-owners learned about psychology. Now they torture you by bending your ears, let you stand on the garage floor for hours before they send you out, make you come in for a few days at a time and don't send you out at all, etc.

RENEWALS

When awards for the best actors of the year 1950 are given out, the guys in the Hack Bureau will have to be given serious consideration. When part-timers whose license should be revoked, apply for renewals, no one bothers them. But steady six-day men, applying for renewals, are sent out post cards saying that they're "ineligible" because they're not steady drivers, and should come down for a hearing. After being kicked around for a few days, everything is OK, but the act on the part of the cops is terrific.

NEWS ITEM

Taxi service was back to normal last week in Dover, N. J. After one day strike by the 37 drivers of the towns 16 cabs (gee whiz only 2 drivers to a cab? Cosh). The drivers won recognition of their union, a \$45 weekly salary, and a 6 day week. Previously, they worked a 7 day week, and on commission. . .

AT LAST, AT LAST

According to the newspapers, our mayor has finally lost patience with the City Traffic Commission, barged in at their recent meeting, and told them (in diplomatic language, of course) to get the lead out of their pants, and start solving traffic problems. But isn't that what many hackies have been saying for a long time? Alright, so they didn't use diplomatic talk. . .

Canada Jobless Organize

OTTAWA, March 30 (Telepress).—The Canadian government's refusal to act on the deepening unemployment crisis has led to a series of protest demonstrations by Canadian jobless and the organization of a union for unemployed workers. Between 400,000 and 450,000 Canadians are now without work, according to trade union figures.

Generally Speaking, He's for Liberty



MYERS

PHILADELPHIA, March 30.—Sen. Francis Myers (D-Pa.) Democratic Party whip in the Senate, is answering demands that he fight against the Mundt bill by assuring that he opposes thought control legislation. However, he does not mention the Mundt bill or pledge specific action against it. A typical telegram from Myers reads:

"Please be assured that I will oppose any legislation seeking to undermine basic civil liberties and fasten thought control on the American people. My record on this is clear."

Call Detroit Parley On Deportations

DETROIT, March 30.—A statewide conference will be held Sunday to mobilize protection for foreign-born workers, some 300 of whom face hearings before Immigration inspectors here beginning this week. The conference sponsored by the Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born will open at 2 p.m. at the Park Ave. Hotel.

Principal speaker will be attorney George Crockett, is one of the five attorneys facing a jail sentence for their defense of the 11 Communist leaders.

Quakers

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tify against this bill," he announced.

Nikoloric told the committee that the bill would make AVC "eligible for designation as a Communist front organization in spite of our long record of opposition to Communism."

Straight cited the battle by right wingers to gain control of AVC. "It hurt our organization," he admitted. "We lost a lot of members, but we don't have any Communists left. And if we do I don't know of any."

Straight declared the Mundt bill would "reduce our capacity to drive a wedge between the Communists and non-Communists."

"Constant pressure and continuing prosperity" are enough to "keep the Communists on the run," Straight advised.

Nikoloric and Rep. Harold Velde (R-Ill.) engaged in a running battle over the purposes of the bill.

Velde, in the course of the argument, said:

"Maybe the Communists would not register, but we'd get them for that. And we'd get Communist sympathizers."

"Communist sympathizers?" Nikoloric asked. "You mean you'd prosecute people who sympathize with the Communists for espionage? You'd have to prove espionage. Sympathy is not enough."

"I recognize in this bill you deprive a certain number of people of their rights," Velde replied. "But we have to have something to combat sabotage and treason. Maybe sympathizers is not the right word. I didn't mean that. Strike it," Velde told the stenographer.

Rep. Bernard Kearney (R-NY) broke into the argument at one point to interject: "I don't think our government is riddled with spies, but we ought to get rid of a lot of people in the Government anyhow."

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Pa. High Court Reinstates Woman Juror

PITTSBURGH, March 30.—The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, Western District, today ordered the restoration of Mrs. Alice Roth to the grand jury rolls. The court rebuked Judge Michael J. Muscanno, who had ousted Mrs. Roth after Matthew Cvetic, stoolpigeon, declared her to be a Communist.

Today's decision was handed down by Chief Justice Drew and concurred in by associate judges Lynn, Sterne, Jones and Stearne. "The privilege of serving as a juror," said the decision, "may neither be extinguished, abated or diminished."

Billion Budget

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leader said, "we get a bonus freeze predicated on conditions that existed years ago and are now worsened."

The Mayor cut Welfare Commissioner Hilliard's budget request by \$11,000,000. His message to the board does not mention the \$12,000,000 relief slash which averages about \$4 a month for 336,621 recipients. The welfare budget of \$193,385,921 is \$20 million more than the current year but is based only on marginal continuance of rising case loads at starvation level.

Frank Herbst, UPW Welfare Local 1 president, when asked to comment on the relief appropriations, said:

"O'Dwyer not only imported Hilliard from Chicago but his stockyard methods as well. This budget can only mean further cuts for relief clients. Its brazen contempt for the needy, the blind and the aged and children will be reflected in the next few years by a rise in TB cases, juvenile delinquency, broken homes and mass starvation."

"The Mayor 'balanced' his budget but at the expense of the poor. It is a shameful butchering of the people's needs and should be protested vigorously by all who want humane government in City Hall."

SANITATION CUT

The Sanitation Department budget was slashed by \$590,988 and condemns the workers to intensified speedup by rejecting Commissioner Mulrairie's request for 2,900 additional men to insure a five-day week garbage collection.

Mayor O'Dwyer, as usual, treated the Police Department with special kindness. He granted \$808,869 more money to "make 800 appointments during the fiscal period to keep the force at its present quota of 18,828." He expressed "sincere regret" at deferring Commissioner O'Brien's bid for 20,000 police—which the squad Daily Worker exposed last December as a move to "hide" a secret red-hunt squad.

Of the total budget \$975,704,000 will come from real estate taxes and general fund revenues and \$275,704,000 from other sources, mainly in state and federal aid. The real estate taxpayer will pay \$45,310,809 more in the current year, because of a drop in other funds and it was freely predicted that the current \$2.89 per \$100 of assessed valuation tax rate would be upped to \$3 permitted within the constitutional limits.

LIFE OF THE PARTY, the column by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, member of the national committee of the Communist Party, appears Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Daily Worker.

Our Deepest Sympathy
to Comrade
IRENE
on the loss of her mother
Comrades of 6th
A.D. Section

Hilliard Fires 4

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name of "Hilliard's concentration camp."

The transfer of Talbert forced him to drop out of his post-graduate course at Columbia University, since he was unable to make his classes after the transfer.

When the delegation of Talbert's supporters came to Rappaport's office Friday to protest the discriminatory move, Rappaport insulted and threatened them and ordered one of his aides, Mrs. Florence Boyer, administrator of the Melrose Center, to write down the names of those present. He called the police when the delegation started to leave.

Mrs. Boyer attempted to bring charges of assault against Herbst. The frameup nature of the charges quickly became apparent, however, and on the advice of her departmental superiors, Mrs. Boyer dropped the charges within an hour.

Herbst denounced Hilliard's action as the worst yet in the Commissioner's union-busting drive.

"This is the most unjustifiable and outrageous action ever taken against city workers," said Herbst. "It is no accident that it comes simultaneously with the Mayor's announcement of the worst welfare budget in the past 15 years."

"Hilliard and the Mayor have taken this measure to try to stop our fight for higher wages and a better Welfare Department. They will fail. The welfare workers will continue solid behind their union to answer this unjustified attack and step up our fight for higher wages for welfare workers."

The four workers fired, all provisional employees, were Harvey L. Miller, Delia C. Duggan, Frank Bonilla and Louis Ungerleider. The 28 suspended were all permanent civil service employees. Of these Herbert Katzen, a social investigator, was served with charges and suspended pending the end of dismissal proceedings. The other 27 were suspended for six days without pay.

18 Groups

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change, progress or reform which is or might be supported by the Communists.

"If enacted, the bill might well be construed as making criminal the performance by an attorney of his duty in defending a Communist client. It might even make criminal the mere advocacy of repeal of the law itself."

"It would inflict serious penalties on individuals—criminal sanctions, social and economic ostracism and character assassination—merely on the ground of association with certain organizations whose natures are not themselves defined with sufficient precision, and would thus inevitably restrict inquiry and thought, belief and expression."

"The bill would inflict penalties by legislative proscription of organizations instead of by judicial

In Memoriam

ARTHUR HERSH—comrade and anti-fascist, missing in action, Gandesa, Spain, April 1, 1938.
—YETTA and JIM.

The family of the late LARRY WASHINGTON

Acknowledges with grateful appreciation from all the comrades and friends for their sympathy expressed upon the recent death of our husband and father.

—MARCELINE WASHINGTON and FAMILY.

No City Aid Yet for Fire Victims

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Housing Authority in housing 120 families burned out in the Harlem fire last Monday, and the 80 Negro families made homeless in a Bronx fire last week, resulted in a sit-in at Housing Authority Offices by organized tenants. The tenants were led by Al Bland, John Jackson, Eleanor Bartee and Helen Blody. Seven of the Harlem families promised Welfare Department aid to allow them to be relocated into projects were still waiting in Welfare offices last night. The Welfare Department has also failed to provide pre-

scriptions for sick children ordered by a doctor Monday night when 75 homeless men and women and children slept in headquarters of the Harlem tenant group at 44 W. 125 St.

One of the Harlem families, Mrs. Laurie Campbell and her two daughters, was forced to turn down an apartment at Eastchester project because of the exorbitant \$79 monthly rental.

A delegation led by Sol Salz, acting secretary of the New York Tenant, Welfare and Consumer Council, to Mrs. Ruth W. Whaley of the Welfare Department received a promise of assistance for the families but the local Welfare office at 149 W. 124 St. was moving at snail's pace.

Thirty members of the Town and Village Committee to End Discrimination in Stuyvesant Town had invited Harlem families to stay with them. Help for the victims was being offered to the committee in the form of funds and clothes from other tenants in the huge Metropolitan Life project.

STUYVESANT SPIRIT
Stuyvesant Town tenants accepted the Negro families into the project in a spirit of sympathy. Mr. and Mrs. Hardine Hendrix, the first Negro couple to live in the Jimcrow project, paved the way when they took over the apartment of Dr. and Mrs. Lee Lorch, a white family now absent from the city.

As word is racing through Harlem that the homeless families are being housed in Stuyvesant town, more tenants are seeking aid at the Harlem tenants council office. Fifteen families spent the night on benches and chairs for a third night in the Harlem headquarters. An urgent appeal was made yesterday for funds, cots and a refrigerator, to be sent to 44 W. 125 St.

At a Town and Village committee press conference yesterday, boycotted by all newspapers with the exception of the Daily Com-

proceedings. . . . Hence the bill is a bill of attainder."

The measure is not needed "to authorize prosecution of anyone for actual acts which are genuinely subversive," the statement said, because "they are already covered adequately by a number of laws."

"If this proposed action is taken against Communists today, a dangerous precedent is created for extending it tomorrow to progressives, Socialists or trade unionists."

To prove their point, the signers called attention to a recent statement by Republican National chairman Guy Gabrielson that the Socialists would be next. Gabrielson had said: "We haven't gotten around to spotlight them yet, but I promise you we will. Avowed Socialists have no more place in the official family of the President of the U. S. than have Communists. . . . Socialism is just the first step toward Communism."

The statement of the 18 national organizations was itself permeated with slanders against the Communist movement which it attacked as "totalitarian." It went along with the sponsors of the Mundt-Nixon bill far enough to assent that Communism was "an evil" which the backers of the legislation "seek to control."

Throughout the statement, however, there was implicit the recognition that outlawing the Communist Party was only the first step in the destruction of the Bill of Rights which would lead to injury to all Americans.

pass and Daily Worker, William Stanley, executive secretary of the Harlem Unemployed and Welfare Council, said that "the people of Stuyvesant Town have shown the way." He sharply criticized the O'Dwyer regime for its "callous disregard for the people of Harlem."

PRaises Aid

Joseph Powell, head of a family of eight, who stayed in the Town Wednesday night, said, "I couldn't be among better people. The organizations which have helped us should be pushed because they are needed. They move quickly and go right to work."

The Powell family used the apartment of Irwin Paterson, a member of Local 65, who spent the night with a neighbor so that the family of eight could have privacy. The apartment of Jesse Kessler, Local 65 organizer, was used on Wednesday, when the 28 men, women and children first arrived in the project.

The Harlemites were overwhelmed by the fine housing provided in the project, and one woman remarked, "I didn't know how bad Harlem homes were until

I saw the clean walls and halls here."

Mrs. Nellie May Harrell exclaimed, "I wish more people knew how wonderful these people have been to us." She and her two children spent the night in the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. N. Brown.

Stuyvesant Town management has not as yet interfered with the families housing Negroes. It is known from past experiences, however, that they will refuse to accept rent as long as Negroes are in the apartments. The Lorch rental has been refused since the Hendrixes have been living there.

Leading in the campaign to aid the Negro families are Mrs. Bernice Livingston, Mrs. Ruth Kessler, Mrs. Esther Smith and Mrs. Hendrix.

A mass meeting is planned in Harlem Monday night at the Church of the Masters, 122 St. and Morningside Ave., to protest fire hazards.

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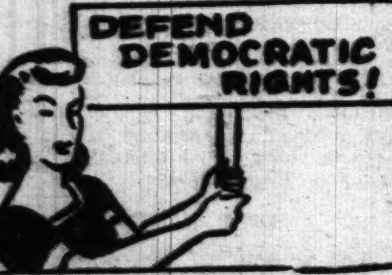
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 9:00-WOR—Harry Hennessey
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 9:15-WNBO—Norman Brokenshire
 WOR—Bing Crosby Records
 9:30-WOR—Food—Alfred M. McCann
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 9:45-WNBO—Anne Heywood, Talk
 WJZ—Missus Goes A-Shopping
 WQXR—Composers Varieties
 10:00-WNBO—Welcome Travelers
 WOR—Martha Deane Program
 WJZ—My True Story
 WJZ—Bing Crosby Show
 WQXR—Morning Melodies
 10:15-WNBO—Arthur Godfrey Show
 10:30-WNBO—Marriage for Two
 WJZ—Betty Crocker Magazine
 WJZ—Look at the News
 10:45-WNBO—Dorothy Dix
 WJZ—Victor H. Lindh
 WJZ—Safety Council Convention
 11:00-WNBO—Love and Learn
 WOR—News
 WJZ—Modern Romances
 WQXR—News, Alma Jettinger
 11:15-WNBO—Dave O'Roway Show
 WOR—Rudy Vallee Show
 11:30-WNBO—Jack Serch
 WJZ—Quiz Program
 WJZ—Grand Slam
 WQXR—Along the Danube
 11:45-WNBO—David Harum
 WJZ—Rosemary
 WQXR—Luncheon Concert
AFTERNOON
 12:00-WNBO—News Roundup
 WOR—Kale Smith
 WJZ—Ladies Be Seated
 WJZ—Wendy Warren
 WQXR—News, Luncheon Concert
 WJZ—Midday Symphony
 12:15-WNBO—Aunt Jenny
 WJZ—Norman Brokenshire
 WOR—Get More Out of Life
 12:25-WJZ—Carol Douglas, Beauty
 12:30-WOR—News
 WJZ—News, Herb Sheldon
 WJZ—Helen Trent
 12:45-WNBO—Our Gai Sunday
 WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's
 1:00-WNBO—Mary Margaret McBride
 WJZ—News
 WJZ—Big Sister
 WJZ—Chamber Music
 WQXR—News, Midday Symphony
 1:15-WJZ—Nancy Craig
 WJZ—Ma Perkins
 1:30-WNBO—Young Dr. Malone
 WOR—Hollywood Theatre
 1:45-WNBO—Guiding Light
 2:00-WNBO—Jungle of Nothing
 WOR—Ladies Pair
 WJZ—Welcome to Hollywood
 WJZ—Student Opinion
 WJZ—Second Mrs. Burton
 WQXR—News, Record Review
 2:15-WNBO—Perry Mason
 2:30-WNBO—Today's Children
 WOR—Queen for a Day
 WJZ—News, Drake
 WJZ—Safety Council Convention
 WJZ—Hannibal Cobb
 WQXR—Curtain at 2:30
 2:45-WNBO—Light of World
 WJZ—The Brighter Day
 WQXR—Home Music Quiz
 3:00-WNBO—Life Can Be Beautiful
 WOR—Second Honeymoon
 WJZ—Bride and Groom
 WJZ—Nona, Sketch
 WQXR—Symphonic Matinee
 3:15-WNBO—Road of Life
 WJZ—Hilltop House
 3:30-WNBO—Pepper Young
 WOR—Answer Man
 WJZ—Pick a Date, Buddy Rogers
 WJZ—House Party
 3:45-WNBO—Right to Happiness
 4:00-WNBO—Backstage Wife
 WJZ—Garry Moore Show
 WOR—Barbara Welles
 WJZ—Surprise Package
 4:15-WNBO—Stella Dallas
 4:30-WNBO—Lorenzo Jones
 WOR—Dean Cameron Show
 WJZ—Happy Landing
 WJZ—Passover Program
 WQXR—Scenes from Operas
 4:45-WNBO—Yours and Widdie Brown
 WJZ—Patt Barnes
 5:00-WNBO—When a Girl Marries
 WOR—Mark Trail, Sketch
 WJZ—The Yukon, Sketch
 WJZ—Sunset Serenade
 WQXR—News, Today in Music
 5:15-WNBO—Portia Faces Life
 WQXR—Record Review
 5:30-WNBO—Just Plain Bill
 WOR—Tom Mix, Sketch
 WJZ—Sky King
 WJZ—Hitz and Misses
 WQXR—Temple Shamus-Ed
 5:45-WNBO—Front Page Parrel

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

PM
 8:00—Halls of Ivy. WNBC.
 8:30—Juillard Opera Concert. WNYC.
 9:00—Screen Directors Playhouse. WNBC.
 9:00—Ozzie and Harriet. WJZ.
 9:30—Jimmy Durante show. WNBC.
 10:30—Capitol Cloak Room. WJZ.
TV
 7:45—Hazel Scott. WABD.
 9:00—The Play's the Thing. WJZ.
 10:00—People's Platform. WJZ.
 10:00—Boxing (Garden). WJZ.
 10:30—Capitol Cloak Room. WJZ.
 10:45—Greatest Fights. WJZ.

EVENING
 6:00-WNBO—Kenneth Banzhart
 WOR—Lyle Van
 WJZ—Joe Hazzel
 WQXR—News: Music to Remember
 6:15-WNBO—Sports, Comment
 WOR—On the Century
 WJZ—Art Baker's Notebook
 6:30-WNBO—Henry Morgan
 WOR—News Reports
 WJZ—Curt Massey
 WJZ—Herb Sheldon Show
 WJZ—Park Dept. Series
 WQXR—Dinner Concert
 6:45-WNBO—Three Star Extra
 WOR—Stan Jones
 WJZ—Lowell Thomas
 WJZ—Weather: News
 7:00-WNBO—Frank Sinatra
 WOR—Fulton Lewis Jr.
 WJZ—Edwin C. Hill
 WJZ—Seulah Show
 WJZ—Masterwork Hour
 WQXR—On Stage
 7:05-WJZ—Headline Edition
 7:15-WNBO—News of the World
 WQXR—On Stage
 WJZ—Jack Smith, Variety
 WJZ—Answer Men
 WJZ—News
 7:30-WNBO—Pleasure Reading
 WOR—Gabriel Heister
 WJZ—Club 15—Variety
 WJZ—Lone Ranger
 WQXR—Hambro & Zayde, Piano
 7:45-WNBO—H. V. Kaltenborn
 WOR—Bill Lang
 WJZ—Edward R. Murrow
 8:00-WNBO—Play: The Halls of Ivy
 WJZ—Pat Man
 WOR—Kate Smith Show
 WJZ—The Show Goes On
 WQXR—News, Symphony Hall
 8:30-WNBO—We the People
 WJZ—FBI, Sketch
 WJZ—Juillard Opera Theatre
 9:00-WNBO—Screen Director's Playhouse
 WJZ—Ozzie & Harriet
 WOR—Box 13, Sketch
 WJZ—Up for Parole, Sketch
 WQXR—News, Concert Hall
 9:30-WOR—Meet the Press
 WJZ—The Sheriff
 WJZ—Jimmy Durante
 WJZ—Broadway's My Beat
 WQXR—Let's Celebrate
 9:45-WQXR—Great Names
 10:00-WNBO—Life of Riley, comedy
 WJZ—Boxing Bout
 WQXR—News, Nights in Latin America
 WJZ—Escape, Sketch
 WOR—Frank Edwards, Comment
 10:15-WOR—Calling All Detectives
 10:30-WNBO—Sports
 WJZ—Symphonette
 WJZ—Sports Page
 WJZ—Capitol Cloak Room
 WQXR—Brief Classics



MOVIE GUIDE

- Excellent** **Good**
- THE BICYCLE THIEF. Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of Shoeshine. Manhattan—World Theatre.
 - LENIN. An hour-long documentary on the life of Lenin, with a group of interesting Soviet short subjects. Manhattan—Stanley.
 - SHOE SHINE. De Sica's moving film about Rome's orphaned children. Manhattan—Apollo.
 - CARNIVAL IN FLANDERS. A revival of the famous French comedy. Manhattan—Fifth Avenue Playhouse.
 - WOMAN OF DOLBYN. The first two-thirds is a brilliant account of a Welsh town threatened by expanding capitalism, the rest melodrama. Brooklyn—Vogue.
 - THE TITAN. Worth seeing for its shots of Michael Angelo's sculpture. Manhattan—Little Carnegie.
 - NIGHT LITTLE ISLAND. What happens to an island of the Hebrides when its supply of Scotch runs out. Manhattan—Trans-Lux 40th St.
 - DEVIL IN THE FLESH. A sensitive, beautifully made film about two young lovers incapable of escaping the mesh of bourgeois conventions in which they're caught. Manhattan—Art.
 - RED SHOES. Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan—Bijou.
 - CINDERELLA. Walt Disney's animation of the fairy tale has included some charming animal characters, fine for children. Manhattan—Mayfair.
 - THE WALLS OF MALAPAGA. Rene Clement's direction makes this same old story of Jean Gabin being chased by the police an interesting film. Manhattan—Paris Theatre.
 - THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. A group of experimental films, by Dalac, Leger, Clair, Kirsanov.
 - YOUNG GUARD. One of the Soviet's finest films on the war. Manhattan—Irving Place.
 - SLIP. THE RED DANUBE. Driary clander about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria.

Around the Dial:

A Human Adventure Story - And a Marshall Plan Sheik

By Bob Lauter

WNBC devotes its 10 to 11 hour on Monday nights to adventure. The 10 p.m. show is a relative newcomer called Nightbeat, the adventures of a newspaper reporter. This is followed by Dangerous Assignment, featuring Brian Donlevy as a Government agent. Last Monday's session with Nightbeat, which features Frank Lovejoy as Randy Stone, was rather surprising. It was a human show, and demonstrated a little human sympathy for its characters: a Polish unemployed worker and his sick wife. The story itself was trivial, being a tragic romance with a mystic and supernatural ending. But it is so rare to hear an "adventure" story which shows some concern for the sufferings and feelings of people, that it came as a pleasant surprise.

DANGEROUS ASSIGNMENT, which followed, is a prime example of the junk which goes by the name of "adventure." Such stories are based on an endless series of fantastic coincidences. (If you look all over a city for a girl, you find her in your hotel room when you get back. If you go to call on a man, he always drops dead when you open the door. And so on.)

Here are the ingredients of the last episode of Dangerous Assignment:

- 2 (or is it 3?) corpses
- 1 bomb
- 1 Sheik (with a walled city and a lion pit)

Tompkins Sq. YPA will present H. T. Tsiang's "Hanging on Union Square" and "Canton Rickshaw" at its new center at 95 Ave. B. tonight, Friday, March 31 at 8:45 p.m.

1 houseboat on the Nile
 30,000 "fanatical tribesmen"
 The Sheik, you see, has uranium on his property, but he is refusing to renew the contract giving mining rights to the U. S. Off goes Government agent Brian Donlevy to fix things up. Evidently "other interests" (nobody says "Soviet Union" out loud) want the Sheik's uranium. Transparent complications ensue. Brian meets an American entertainer in a cafe in Cairo. When next he sees the entertainer, the poor fellow has been foully murdered. Donlevy looks at his countryman's body, and makes the profound and sympathetic comment, "Oh, brother!"

The climax comes when Donlevy suspends the villain over the Sheik's lion pit and threatens to drop him unless he confesses all. He confesses all.

You will all be happy to know that the good sheik, with his walled city, his trap doors and secret entrances, and his lion pits, have been saved for the Truman Administration. Although the program did not say as much, the Sheik probably got an ECA appropriation to reline the lion pit with concrete.

Books:

'American Jewish Yearbook' For 1949
 By Louis Harap
 A NEW FORMAT and some improvements in the presentation of facts marks this latest volume of the annual roundup of Jewish affairs all over the world for the year 1949. Most of the book is

AMERICAN JEWISH YEARBOOK, VOLUME 51. 599 pp. New York, American Jewish Committee; and Phila., Jewish Publication Society, Garden City Publishing Co., \$3.95.

taken up with tables of Jewish population statistics and summaries of developments in the Jewish communities. About half the book is given over to detailed treatment of American Jewry, with useful data about organizational life in this country. Population studies of Jews in the United States on sociological surveys of 15 Jewish urban communities include consideration of the age composition, sex ratios, marital status, family size, economic status; edu-

cation, nativity and citizenship, communal activity and vital statistics. Especially interesting is a study of the occupational distribution which shows that American Jews are engaged mostly in "clerical, sales and kindred workers," "proprietors, managers and officials" and "professional and semi-professional workers." One wishes more data were available on the breakdown of the "Jewish labor forces" as between employers and employed, particularly in manufacturing.

The section on cultural activity, including literature, scholarship and the arts, and an American Jewish bibliography for the year are useful, though executed from the bourgeois standpoint. As was to be expected, the survey of Jewish life in the Soviet Union and the new democracies gives the current anti-Communist interpretation of developments of the past year of the cold war among the Jewish people of those countries.

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N. Y. Newspaper Guild Assails Mundt Bill

The CIO Newspaper Guild of New York has called for the defeat of the Mundt Bill. The Representative Assembly of the Guild, which is under rightwing leadership, on Thursday night voted unanimously to campaign to defeat the measure as a threat to all trade unions.

Jay Nelson Tuck, Guild local president, declared that "even the Newspaper Guild of New York, under its present leadership, could be called a Communist-front organization" and prosecuted under the bill.

The resolution called upon the American Newspaper Guild to testify against the measure before the House Un-American Activities Committee, and instructed the local Political Action Committee to launch a letter-writing campaign in all Guild shops.

Billion Budget Hilliard Fires 4

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leader said, "we get a bonus freeze predicated on conditions that existed years ago and are now worsened."

The Mayor cut Welfare Commissioner Hilliard's budget request by \$11,000,000. His message to the board does not mention the \$12,000,000 relief slash which averages about \$4 a month for 336,621 recipients. The welfare budget of \$193,385,921 is \$20 million more than the current year but is based only on marginal continuance of rising case loads at starvation level.

Frank Herbst, UPW Welfare Local 1 president, when asked to comment on the relief appropriations, said:

"O'Dwyer not only imported Hilliard from Chicago but his stockyard methods as well. This budget can only mean further cuts for relief clients. Its brazen contempt for the needy, the blind and the aged and children will be reflected in the next few years by a rise in TB cases, juvenile delinquency, broken homes and mass starvation."

The Mayor "balanced" his budget but at the expense of the poor. It is a shameful butchering of the people's needs and should be protested vigorously by all who want humane government in City Hall."

SANITATION CUT

The Sanitation Department budget was slashed by \$590,988 and condemns the workers to intensified speedup by rejecting Commissioner Mulrairie's request for 2,900 additional men to insure a five-day week garbage collection.

Mayor O'Dwyer, as usual, treated the Police Department with special kindness. He granted \$808,869 more money to "make 800 appointments during the fiscal period to keep the force at its present quota of 18,828." He expressed "sincere regret" at deferring Commissioner O'Brien's bid for 20,000 police—which the squad Daily Worker exposed last December as a move to "hide" a secret red-hunt squad.

Of the total budget \$975,704,000 will come from real estate taxes and general fund revenues and \$275,704,000 from other sources, mainly in state and federal aid. The real estate taxpayer will pay \$45,310,809 more in the current year, because of a drop in other funds and it was freely predicted that the current \$2.89 per \$100 of assessed valuation tax rate would be upped to \$3 permitted within the constitutional limits.

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A.D. Section

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name of "Hilliard's concentration camp."

The transfer of Talbert forced him to drop out of his post-graduate course at Columbia University, since he was unable to make his classes after the transfer.

When the delegation of Talbert's supporters came to Rappaport's office Friday to protest the discriminatory move, Rappaport insulted and threatened them and ordered one of his aides, Mrs. Florence Boyer, administrator of the Melrose Center, to write down the names of those present. He called the police when the delegation started to leave.

Mrs. Boyer attempted to bring charges of assault against Herbst. The frameup nature of the charges quickly became apparent, however, and on the advice of her departmental superiors, Mrs. Boyer dropped the charges within an hour.

Herbst denounced Hilliard's action as the worst yet in the Commissioner's union-busting drive.

"This is the most unjustifiable and outrageous action ever taken against city workers," said Herbst. "It is no accident that it come simultaneously with the Mayor's announcement of the worst welfare budget in the past 15 years."

"Hilliard and the Mayor have taken this measure to try to stop our fight for higher wages and a better Welfare Department. They will fail. The welfare workers will continue solid behind their union to answer this unjustified attack and step up our fight for higher wages for welfare workers."

The four workers fired, all provisional employees, were Harvey L. Miller, Delia C. Duggan, Frank Bonilla and Louis Ungerleider. The 28 suspended were all permanent civil service employees. Of these Herbert Katzen, a social investigator, was served with charges and suspended pending the end of dismissal proceedings. The other 27 were suspended for six days without pay.

Workers Hold Fast, Company Gives Way

HAMMOND, Ind., March 30.—The American Steel Foundry fired a worker for refusing to do two jobs in place of one. All the workers walked off the job.

Steel union international representatives got the local president to call an emergency meeting at which the men were told to go back to work.

Only one man out of the 600 voted to return to work. The meeting was hastily adjourned.

Next day the company backed down on the discharge and promised to arbitrate a number of long-standing grievances.

In Memoriam

ARTHUR HERSH — comrade and anti-fascist, missing in action, Gandesa, Spain, April 1, 1938.
—YETTA and JIM.

The family of the late LARRY WASHINGTON

Acknowledges with grateful appreciation from all the comrades and friends for their sympathy expressed upon the recent death of our husband and father.

—MARGELINE WASHINGTON and FAMILY.

No City Aid Yet for Fire Victims

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invitations to the homeless Negro families. Knickerbocker Village is owned by the Fred F. French Co. Stalling by officials of the New York City Housing Authority in housing 120 families burned out in the Harlem fire last Monday, and the 80 Negro families made homeless in a Bronx fire last week, resulted in a sit-in at Housing Authority Offices by organized tenants. The tenants were led by Al Bland, John Jackson, Eleanor Bartee and Helen Blody. Seven of the Harlem families promised Welfare Department aid to allow them to be relocated into projects were still waiting in Welfare offices last night. The Welfare Department has also failed to provide pre-

scriptions for sick children ordered by a doctor Monday night when 75 homeless men and women and children slept in headquarters of the Harlem tenant group at 44 W. 125 St.

One of the Harlem families, Mrs. Laurie Campbell and her two daughters, was forced to turn down an apartment at Eastchester project because of the exorbitant \$79 monthly rental.

A delegation led by Sol Salz, acting secretary of the New York Tenant, Welfare and Consumer Council, to Mrs. Ruth W. Whaley of the Welfare Department re-

O'Dwyer regime for its "callous disregard for the people of Harlem."

PRaises Aid

Joseph Powell, head of a family of eight, who stayed in the Town Wednesday night, said, "I couldn't be among better people. The organizations which have helped us should be pushed because they are needed. They move quickly and go right to work."

The Powell family used the apartment of Irwin Paterson, a member of Local 65, who spent the night with a neighbor so that the family of eight could have privacy. The apartment of Jesse Kessler, Local 65 organizer, was used on Wednesday, when the 28 men, women and children first arrived in the project.

The Harlemites were overwhelmed by the fine housing provided in the project, and one woman remarked, "I didn't know how bad Harlem homes were until I saw the clean walls and halls here."

Mrs. Nellie May Harrell ex-

claimed, "I wish more people knew how wonderful these people have been to us." She and her two children spent the night in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Brown.

Stuyvesant Town management has not as yet interfered with the families housing Negroes. It is known from past experiences, however, that they will refuse to accept rent as long as Negroes are in the apartments. The Lorch rental has been refused since the Hendrixes have been living there.

Leading in the campaign to aid the Negro families are Mrs. Bernice Livingston, Mrs. Ruth Kessler, Mrs. Esther Smith and Mrs. Hendrix.

A mass meeting is planned in Harlem Monday night at the Church of the Masters, 122 St. and Morningside Ave., to protest fire hazards.

The Unemployed Welfare and Allied Council of Harlem yesterday protested the city administration's "do nothing" policy toward the fire victims.

Seek Hospitals For Victims

Robert Silas, 18, who sustained an injury in his back during the Harlem fire, had 105 degrees temperature yesterday at the Harlem Tenant and Consumer Organization headquarters. Efforts were being made to get him into Harlem Hospital by ambulance as the Daily Worker went to press. On Wednesday he went to Harlem Hospital for his back injury, was strapped up and sent "home," which meant the headquarters.

Infant Ronald Walker, eight months old, was suffering from an infected ear, and attempts were also being made to remove him to the hospital.

ceived a promise of assistance for the families but the local Welfare office at 149 W. 124 St. was moving at snail's pace.

Thirty members of the Town and Village Committee to End Discrimination in Stuyvesant Town had invited Harlem families to stay with them. Help for the victims was being offered to the committee in the form of funds and clothes from other tenants in the huge Metropolitan Life project.

STUYVESANT SPIRIT

Stuyvesant Town tenants accepted the Negro families into the project in a spirit of sympathy. Mr. and Mrs. Hardine Hendrix, the first Negro couple to live in the Jimcrow project, paved the way when they took over the apartment of Dr. and Mrs. Lee Lorch, a white family now absent from the city.

As word is racing through Harlem that the homeless families are being housed in Stuyvesant town, more tenants are seeking aid at the Harlem tenants council office. Fifteen families spent the night on benches and chairs for a third night in the Harlem headquarters. An urgent appeal was made yesterday for funds, cots and a refrigerator, to be sent to 44 W. 125 St.

At a Town and Village committee press conference yesterday, boycotted by all newspapers with the exception of the Daily Compass and Daily Worker, William Stanley, executive secretary of the Harlem Unemployed and Welfare Council, said that "the people of Stuyvesant Town have shown the way." He sharply criticized the

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9:00-WOR-Harry Kennedy
 WJZ-Breakfast Club
 WJZ-This Is New York
 WJZ-Masterwork Hour
 9:15-WNBO-Norman Brokenshire
 WOR-Bing Crosby Records
 9:30-WOR-Food-Alfred M. McCann
 WJZ-News, Personalities
 9:45-WNBO-Anne Heywood, Talk
 WJZ-Missus Goss A-Shopping
 WJZ-Composers' Varieties
 10:00-WNBO-Welcome Travelers
 WOR-Martha Deane Program
 WJZ-My True Story
 WJZ-Bing Crosby Show
 WJZ-Morning Melodies
 10:15-WNBO-Arthur Godfrey Show
 10:30-WNBO-Marriage for Two
 WJZ-Betty Crocker Magazine
 WJZ-Look at the News
 10:45-WNBO-Dorothy Dix
 WJZ-Victor H. Lindh
 WJZ-Safety Council Convention
 11:00-WNBO-We Love and Learn
 WOR-News
 WJZ-Modern Romance
 WJZ-News, News, Getting
 11:15-WNBO-Dave Garraway Show
 WOR-Rudy Vallee Show
 11:30-WNBO-Act Your
 WJZ-Quiz Program
 WJZ-Grand Slam
 WJZ-Along the Danube
 11:45-WNBO-David Harum
 WJZ-Moscow
 WJZ-Luncheon Concert

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBO-News Roundup
 WOR-Kate Smith
 WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
 WJZ-Wendy Warren
 WJZ-News, Luncheon Concert
 WJZ-Midday Symphony
 12:15-WNBO-Aunt Jenny
 WNBO-Norman Brokenshire
 WOR-Get More Out of Life
 12:25-WJZ-Carol Douglas, Beauty
 12:30-WOR-News
 WJZ-News, Herb Sheldon
 WJZ-Helen Trent
 12:45-WNBO-Our Old Sunday
 WOR-Luncheon at Sardi's
 1:00-WNBO-Mary Margaret McBride
 WJZ-News
 WJZ-Big Sister
 WJZ-Chamber Music
 WJZ-News, Midday Symphony
 1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig
 WJZ-Ma Perkins
 1:30-WNBO-Young Dr. Malone
 WOR-Hollywood Theatre
 1:45-WNBO-Guiding Light
 2:00-WJZ-Charlie T. Nothing
 WJZ-Ladies Pair
 WJZ-Welcome to Hollywood
 WJZ-Student Opinion
 WJZ-Second Mrs. Burton
 WJZ-News, Record Review
 2:15-WNBO-Perry Mason
 2:30-WNBO-Today's Children
 WOR-Queen for a Day
 WJZ-Nora Drake
 WJZ-Safety Council Convention
 WJZ-Hannibal Cobb
 WJZ-Curtain at 2:30
 2:45-WNBO-Light of World
 WJZ-The Brighter Day
 WJZ-Home Music Quiz
 3:00-WNBO-Life Can Be Beautiful
 WOR-Second Harmony
 WJZ-Bride and Groom
 WJZ-Nona, Sketch
 WJZ-Symphonic Matinee
 3:15-WNBO-Road of Life
 WJZ-Hilltop House
 3:30-WNBO-Pepper Young
 WOR-Answer Man
 WJZ-Pick a Date: Buddy Rogers
 WJZ-House Party
 3:45-WNBO-Right to Happiness
 4:00-WNBO-Backstage Wife
 WJZ-Garry Moore Show
 WJZ-Barbara Welles
 WJZ-Surprise Package
 4:15-WNBO-Stella Dallas
 4:30-WNBO-Lorraine Ames
 WOR-Dean Cameron Show
 WJZ-Happy Landings
 WJZ-Passover Program
 WJZ-Scenes from Operas
 4:45-WNBO-Young Widder Brown
 WJZ-Pat Barnes
 5:00-WNBO-When a Girl Marries
 WOR-Mark Trail, Sketch
 WJZ-The Yukon, Sketch
 WJZ-Sunset Serenade
 WJZ-Galen Drake
 WJZ-News, Today in Music
 5:15-WNBO-Portia Faces Life
 WJZ-Record Review
 5:30-WNBO-Just Plain Bill
 WOR-Ten Mix, Sketch
 WJZ-Sky King
 WJZ-Hits and Misses
 WJZ-Temple Grand-E
 5:45-WNBO-Front Page Parrell

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

PM

8:00-Halls of Ivy. WNBC.
 8:30-Juillard Opera Concert.
 WNYC.
 9:00-Screen Directors Playhouse.
 WNBC.
 9:00-Ozzie and Harriet. WJZ.
 9:30-Jimmy Durante show.
 WNBC.
 10:30-Capitol Clock Room.
 WCBS.
 TV
 7:45-Hazel Scott. WABD.
 9:00-The Play's the Thing.
 WCBS.
 10:00-People's Platform. WCBS.
 10:00-Boxing (Garden). WJZ.
 10:30-Capitol Clock Room.
 WCBS.
 10:45-Greatest Fights. WJZ.

EVENING

6:00-WNBO-Kenneth Bausch
 WOR-Lyle Van
 WJZ-Eric Sevared, News
 WJZ-Joe Hassel
 WJZ-News: Music to Remember
 6:15-WNBO-Sports, Comment
 WJZ-On the Century
 WJZ-Art Baker's Notebook
 6:30-WNBO-Henry Morgan
 WOR-News Reports
 WJZ-Curt Massey
 WJZ-Herb Sheldon Show
 WJZ-Park Dept. Series
 WJZ-Dinner Concert
 6:45-WNBO-Three Star Show
 WOR-Elan Lomas
 WJZ-Lowell Thomas
 WJZ-Weather: News
 7:00-WNBO-Frank Sinatra
 WOR-Pulton Lewis Jr.
 WJZ-Edwin C. Hill
 WJZ-Senior Show
 WJZ-Masterwork Hour
 WJZ-On Stage
 7:05-WJZ-Headline Edition
 7:15-WNBO-News of the World
 WJZ-On Stage
 WJZ-Jack Smith, Variety
 WJZ-Answer Man
 WJZ-News
 7:30-WNBO-Peasure Reading
 WOR-Gabriel Hostet
 WJZ-Club 15-Variety
 WJZ-Lone Ranger
 WJZ-Hamro & Zayde, Piano
 7:45-WNBO-H. V. Kaltenberg
 WJZ-Bill Lang
 WJZ-Edward R. Murrow
 8:00-WNBO-Play: The Halls of Ivy
 WJZ-Pat Man
 WJZ-Kate Smith Show
 WJZ-The Show Goes On
 WJZ-News: Symphony Hall
 8:30-WNBO-We the People
 WJZ-FBI Sketch
 WJZ-Juillard Opera Theatre
 9:00-WNBO-Screen Director's Playhouse
 WJZ-Ozzie & Harriet
 WJZ-Box 13, Sketch
 WJZ-Up for Parole, Sketch
 WJZ-News, Concert Hall
 9:30-WOR-Meet the Press
 WJZ-The Sheriff
 WJZ-Jimmy Durante
 WJZ-Broadway's My Best
 WJZ-Let's Celebrate
 9:45-WJZ-Great Names
 10:00-WNBO-Life of Riley, comedy
 WJZ-Boxing Bout
 WJZ-News: Nights in Latin
 America
 WJZ-Escape, Sketch
 WJZ-Frank Edwards, Comment
 10:15-WOR-Calling All Detectives
 10:30-WNBO-Sports
 WJZ-Symphonette
 WJZ-Sports Page
 WJZ-Capitol Clock Room
 WJZ-Brief Classics

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MOVIE GUIDE

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- THE BICYCLE THIEF. Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of Shoeshine. Manhattan-World Theatre.
- LENIN. An hour-long documentary on the life of Lenin, with a group of interesting Soviet short subjects. Manhattan-Stanley.
- SHOE SHINE. De Sica's moving film about Rome's orphaned children. Manhattan-Apollo.
- CARNIVAL IN FLANDERS. A revival of the famous French comedy. Manhattan-Fifth Avenue Playhouse.
- WOMAN OF DOLWYN. The first two-thirds is a brilliant account of a Welsh town threatened by expanding capitalism, the rest melodrama. Brooklyn-Vogue.
- THE TITAN. Worth seeing for its shots of Michael Angelo's sculpture. Manhattan-Little Carnegie.
- FIGHT LITTLE ISLAND. What happens to an island of the Hebrides when its supply of Scotch runs out. Manhattan-Trans-Lux 94th St.
- DEVIL IN THE FLESH. A sensitive, beautifully made film about two young lovers incapable of escaping the mesh of bourgeois conventions in which they're caught. Manhattan-Art.
- RED SHOES. Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan-Bijou.
- CINDERELLA. Walt Disney's animation of the fairy tale has included some charming animal characters. Fine for children. Manhattan-Mayfair.
- THE WALLS OF MALAPAGA. Rene Clement's direction makes this same old story of Jean Gabin being chased by the police an interesting film. Manhattan-Paris Theatre.
- THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. A group of experimental films by Dulac, Leger, Clair, Kiraanov.
- YOUNG GUARD. One of the Soviet's finest films on the war. Manhattan-Irving Place.

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THE RED BAND. Dreary slander about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria.

Around the Dial:

A Human Adventure Story - And a Marshall Plan Sheik

By Bob Lauter

WNBC devotes its 10 to 11 hour on Monday nights to adventure. The 10 p.m. show is a relative newcomer called Nightbeat, the adventures of a newspaper reporter. This is followed by Dangerous Assignment, featuring Brian Donlevy as a Government agent.

Last Monday's session with Nightbeat, which features Frank Lovejoy as Randy Stone, was rather surprising. It was a human show, and demonstrated a little human sympathy for its characters: a Polish unemployed worker and his sick wife. The story itself was trivial, being a tragic romance with a mystic and supernatural ending. But it is so rare to hear an "adventure" story which shows some concern for the sufferings and feelings of people, that it came as a pleasant surprise.

DANGEROUS ASSIGNMENT, which followed, is a prime example of the junk which goes by the name of "adventure." Such stories are based on an endless series of fantastic coincidences. (If you look all over a city for a girl, you find her in your hotel room when you get back. If you go to call on a man, he always drops dead when you open the door. And so on.)

Here are the ingredients of the last episode of Dangerous Assignment:

- 2 (or is it 3?) corpses
- 1 bomb
- 1 Sheik (with a walled city and a lion pit)

Tompkins Sq. YPA will present H. T. Tsiang's "Hanging on Union Square" and "Canton Rickshaw" at its new center at 95 Ave. B. tonight, Friday, March 31 at 8:45 p.m.

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The Sheik, you see, has uranium on his property, but he is refusing to renew the contract giving mining rights to the U. S. Off goes Government agent Brian Donlevy to fix things up. Evidently "other interests" (nobody says "Soviet Union" out loud) want the Sheik's uranium.

Transparent complications ensue. Brian meets an American entertainer in a cafe in Cairo. When next he sees the entertainer, the poor fellow has been foully murdered.

Donlevy looks at his countryman's body, and makes the profound and sympathetic comment, "Oh, brother!"

The climax comes when Donlevy suspends the villain over the Sheik's lion pit and threatens to drop him unless he confesses all. He confesses all.

You will all be happy to know that the good sheik, with his walled city, his trap doors and secret entrances, and his lion pits, have been saved for the Truman Administration. Although the program did not say as much, the Sheik probably got an ECA appropriation to reline the lion pit with concrete.

Books:

'American Jewish Yearbook' For 1949

By Louis Harap

A NEW FORMAT and some improvements in the presentation of facts marks this latest volume of the annual roundup of Jewish affairs all over the world for the year 1949. Most of the book is

AMERICAN JEWISH YEARBOOK, VOLUME 51. 599 pp. New York, American Jewish Committee; and Phila., Jewish Publication Society, Garden City Publishing Co., \$3.95.

taken up with tables of Jewish population statistics and summaries of developments in the Jewish communities. About half the book is given over to detailed treatment of American Jewry, with useful data about organizational life in this country. Population studies of Jews in the United States on sociological surveys of 15 Jewish urban communities include consideration of the age composition, sex ratios, marital status, family size, economic status, edu-

cation, nativity and citizenship, communal activity and vital statistics. Especially interesting is a study of the occupational distribution which shows that American Jews are engaged mostly in "clerical, sales and kindred workers," "proprietors, managers and officials" and "professional and semi-professional workers." One wishes more data were available on the breakdown of the "Jewish labor forces" as between employers and employed, particularly in manufacturing.

The section on cultural activity, including literature, scholarship and the arts, and an American Jewish bibliography for the year are useful, though executed from the bourgeois standpoint.

As was to be expected, the survey of Jewish life in the Soviet Union and the new democracies gives the current anti-Communist interpretation of developments of the past year of the cold war among the Jewish people of those countries.

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Hollywood:

What Eddie Cantor Said About Chaplin

By David Platt

EDDIE CANTOR and Ted Lewis appeared on Earl Wilson's program the night of the Academy Awards. Wilson asked his two guests to name the greatest comedian of our time. Cantor said: "Despite his political views, with which I have never been in agreement, Charlie Chaplin is the greatest. Not only did he make people laugh, but, what is even more difficult, he could make them cry." Ted Lewis agreed. Cantor then cracked that sometimes he has tried to make people laugh and they have cried instead, which is true as far as we are concerned.

DAN BURLEY, managing editor of the Negro weekly New York Age spoke recently at an ASP forum in Harlem on the Negro in Hollywood Films. After the meeting he was buttonholed by an acquaintance—a victim of the redbaiting hysteria—who said: "Why Dan Burley! Don't you know what kind of people they are who are mixed up in that Arts, Sciences and Professions crowd. What were you doing on that platform?" Burley replied calmly: "I am a Negro American. I'll go any damn place I can or please if it's going to help me to understand what's really going on!"

MORE ON THE ACADEMY AWARDS: The special Oscar to DeSica's Bicycle Thief was a slap at the Johnston Office, which banned it in theatres under their control for alleged obscenity. . . . The Special Effects Award went to a "monstrosity, Mighty Joe Young."

The superb French documentary "1948" lost out to a March of Time propaganda film.

Special Academy Awards also went to the following—for "technical and scientific achievement":

To Herbert E. Britt, for the development and application of formulas and equipment producing artificial snow and ice for dressing motion picture sets. (Forty years ago they made better pictures with ivory snow flakes.)

To Charles R. Daily, Steve Csillag and the Paramount Engineering, Editorial and Music Departments, for a new precision method of computing variable tempo click tracks. (If this will do away with executive producers we're for it.)

To Alexander Velcoff, for the application to production of the infrared photographic evaluator.

To Loren Ryder, Bruce Denney, Robert Carr and the Paramount Sound Department for the development and application of the Supersonic Playback and Public Address System.

On second thought these four awards make more sense than the ones given for screenwriting, direction, male acting and documentary.

Taken as a whole this year's Academy Awards were pretty meaningless.

FOR A NEW MAN—FOR A BETTER MANKIND: This is the theme of the coming (fifth) International Film Festival sponsored by the Czechoslovak State Film industry at Mariánské Lázně July 15-30. (The theme of the Hollywood Oscar Derby was: For Bigger Profits—For a Better Machine For Making More Money.)

The Czech Festival's aim is to gather together the best films from all over the world for criticism and evaluation, "films which contribute to the formation of a new and better Man, to the efforts for a better mankind."

Every country will be permitted to enter not more than two full-length feature films at the Festival for each of its national groups and its own film industry, in addition to not more than two films in each of the other categories (documentary, reportage, educational, cartoon, puppet, etc.)

The competing films will be judged by a jury composed of artists, film critics and cultural workers.

The principal prizes will be the Grand Prize for the best full-length feature films; the Peace Prize for the film which best expresses the idea of peace; and the Labor Prize for the film which best expresses the idea of labor.

SEE YOU at the Chaplin film festival (Tillie's Punctured Romance, The Kid and The Circus) tonight (Friday) at Yugoslav Hall, 405 W. 41 St., 7:30 and 9:30.

Fund Drive: Contributions received from Projector \$10; Club Unity, Labor Youth League \$5. Total to date: \$33.

Famous Soviet Classic 'Road To Life' Revived Saturday At The Stanley

THE STANLEY THEATRE is reviving Saturday the Soviet film 'Road to Life' which created a sensation when it opened at the old Cameo Theatre on 42nd St. in 1932. Theodore Dreiser once called 'Road to Life' "the natural drama of the Russian temperament in action, without the hoorah and blab-blah that would accompany any such effort in any other part of the world."

The action of 'Road to Life' takes place in the year 1923. The Soviet Union had recently emerged from a long and ruinous civil war. The peaceful work of economic



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Today's Film:

Rosie O'Grady at Music Hall

By Jose Iglesias

Right in the middle of The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady, which the Music Hall is sporting for its Easter season, this reviewer got a fine idea it came during those inevitable, boring moments in a Hollywood musical when the songsters and hoofers are called upon to act and all the reviewers in the preview room start getting restive. I thought how fine it would be if everyone of our readers who was going to see The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady or its equivalent in the neighborhood theaters this weekend just contributed the admission price (including tax) to the Daily Worker Fund Drive.

And, of course, contributed it through me.

There must have been many stretches of very unpoignant drama in this musical because this idea developed into visions of myself

running into the city room with fistfuls of bills every day. I hasten to inform you of this, little though it may seem to have to do with a story of vaudeville at the beginning of the century, because I had found it difficult heretofore to make a fund drive appeal in the course of a movie review. Now it can appear as part of my reaction to something showing.

However, I am certain, after looking at the short list of films in our movie guide, that I have often had the idea that it would be better if you spent your money on something other than the movie I was reviewing. So don't let this review keep you away from The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady alone.

money. Stay home and read a good book—one you already own.

I want that money for The Daily Worker. Not simply because I have

visions of dropping bundles of bills (you see how this thing grows in the mind's eye) on Alan Max's lap. But because we want our newspaper to be free to grow and reach more and more people.

I first saw our paper when I was fourteen. A worker in my Florida hometown brought it to me after we'd had a discussion about Henry Ford (for some reason that I can't remember now I was all for capitalism) but he could only let me have his copies of it overnight because there were other people he wanted to get it to. We want more copies of our paper to be going the rounds.

If there's any more that you want to know about The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady I'll write you about it when I acknowledge your contribution. Don't let there be only press releases in Monday morning's mail.

Books:

HUTCHINSON'S 'DECLINE AND FALL OF BRITISH CAPITALISM'

By Robert Friedman

KEITH HUTCHINSON introduces his book, *The Decline and Fall of British Capitalism* with these words: "No one is likely to deny the decline of British capitalism in this century, but the sug-

THE DECLINE AND FALL OF BRITISH CAPITALISM, by Keith Hutchinson. 274 pp. New York. Charles Scribner's Sons. \$3.50.

gestion that it has fallen, may evoke protests from both left and right. Communists, of course, will reject it with scorn. . . .

Mr. Hutchinson, of course, is only partly right. Communists reject his blithe burial of capitalism in Britain, not just with scorn, but with evidence. It is one thing to recognize that the scepter of world imperialist rule has passed from British to American hands. It is another thing entirely to extend this decline of British power in the international arena to the alleged fall of capitalism as the prevailing socio-economic system within Britain.

IN THE DECLINE and Fall of British Capitalism, so entitled surely, in fond anticipation of a Tory debacle in the then-forthcoming elections, Mr. Hutchinson has curiously spent only some 20 pages on the nature of the Labor government of the last five years, although it is that period which presumably slammed the last door on capitalism. Instead, the bulk of the book is devoted to an account and an explanation of the gracious manner in which British capitalism retreated itself out of existence.

Once one understands what Mr.

Hutchinson's conception of "socialism" is, or what he would like his readers to believe socialism is, it is very easy to see how he has been able to bury British capitalism.

For Mr. Hutchinson believes that the active intervention of the bourgeois state (in the last year) in industry, the allotment of raw materials; the rationing of goods and the freezing of workers at vital jobs . . . that all this, in short, was the organization of the British economy "on broadly socialist lines."

One may readily concede that Mr. Hutchinson is not the first person to have argued that the wartime mobilization of the capitalist nations could be equated with socialism. But the fact that he is not the father of the myth does not excuse his propagation of it.

If it was "socialism" under Churchill, no wonder the author finds it hardly necessary to elaborate on the incalculably more socialist "socialism" of the postwar Attlee regime.

The wage freeze, which British labor is fighting; the continued existence of "socialism's" Royal Family, owning a goodly part of British resources; the continued

development of great fortunes by steel, shipping and chemical magnates, all these speak for the fact that British capitalism has not been overthrown by "consent" or otherwise.

IT IS NOTEWORTHY, too, that the author believes that the "socialist" content of a nation's economy is not the prime determinant of its foreign policy. Thus, while mildly deploring Britain's role in Palestine and in Greece as "errors," he alibis that "in the largest sense, continuity of foreign policy was inevitable."

Nonsense. And a good number of British voters demonstrated that Mr. Hutchinson speaks nonsense. The close electoral result proved that many Britons, while wanting socialism, realizes that the Labor bureaucracy has betrayed, not brought, socialism.

Discussing the relations of Tory and Liberal parties some 70 years ago, Mr. Hutchinson writes: "In politics, as in business, the strongest monopolies are those that maintain a convincing facade of competition."

The words make sense for Tory and Labor Parties of 1950, too, more sense about the classic betrayal of the working-class by Social Democracy than Mr. Hutchinson's *Decline and Fall of British Capitalism*.

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CAMBRIDGE GALLERIES

Stop Twisting---We'll Reveal We Said They'd Be Hot

Way back in November, before CCNY's untested young team had ever taken the Garden floor, the Daily Worker figured they were going to be very good. In fact, the preview article, part of which is shown here, seemed a little too extravagant to some for a newspaper that never goes off half-cocked, and the author was genially accused of letting his known affection for CCNY basketball teams affect his critical judgment.

One writer on this paper, a CCNY alumnus at that, shook

his head disapprovingly and said, "You shouldn't have said 'STAR LADEN' in the head, you should have played it safe and factual and said 'SOPH LADEN.'" (Remember, brother Sroog?) Star laden turned out to be reasonably accurate. Lots of players are sophs, but not all sophs are Roman, Warner, Layne, Roth and Cohen.

The preview article, which was based on first-hand observation of the new players as freshmen the year before, reports from the CCNY practice gym and estimates garnered from various college and high

school coaches around town, began, "For the past few seasons, CCNY has had its usual very good basketball teams, winning a majority of its games from the out of town invaders, dropping a few key ones heart-breakingly, getting into the tournament and not quite making it all the way. . . . This year the team COULD be that extra little bit better."

Other bits of premature wisdom from the article:

"Mager is an important figure . . . Wittlin may have trouble holding his position since the

upcoming sophs include many floor-men who are heavier scoring threats. . . . The set shot famine is definitely over uptown. . . . Ed Warner of Clinton and Floyd Lane of Franklin are fast, smart and exceptional shot-makers. They get in. . . ."

The article then went on to quote Nat Holman's cautiously optimistic overall appraisal, and wound up with "the temptation here is to say something a little more . . . they should be something to see, especially in the second half of the season."

Say, what made me so conservative?



YANKS BELT REDS 14-2

DiMAGGIO, BERRA LEAD ATTACK

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 30 (UP).—The New York Yankees smashed 19 hits to thrash the Cincinnati Reds, 14 to 2, today ending seven-game winning streak. Allie Reynolds and Frank Shea surrendered eight hits and gave 13 bases on balls but the Reds left 18 runners on the base.

Joe DiMaggio, playing nine innings for the third straight day, got three hits and lifted his spring batting average to .437. Catcher Larry Berra also contributed three hits.

EXHIBITIONS

Cincinnati 000-000-020 2-8-2
New York 402-230-21x 14-19-1
Raffensberger, Smith (6), Avera (8) and Cooper, Howell (6); Reynolds, Shea (6) and Berra, Niarhos (6).

St. Louis (N) 000 000 000-0 5 0
Boston (N) 100 000 00x-1 6 0
Staley, Boyer (6) and Garagiola; Sain, Bickford (6) and Crandall.

Washington 000-000-201 3-6-1
Phila. 101-103-31x 10-12-1
Weik, Davis (7) and Grasso, Evans (7); Heintzleman, Trinkle (7) and Seminick, Silvestri (7).
Home runs—Dente, Stewart, Coliat (2), Nicholson.

ROCKY 12-5

Rocky Graziano, who once fought nine main events there, returns to the Garden tonight after an absence of four years, meeting Tony Janiro in a ten. The ex-middle champ, who wants to fight Ray Robinson, is a 12-5 favorite

Carl, Jackie HR

VERO BEACH, Fla., March 30. (UP).—Outfielder Carl Furillo's home run in the eighth gave the Dodgers a 5-4 triumph over St. Paul today.

Home runs figured prominently in the contest which saw Harry Taylor, St. Paul righthander, shut out his former teammates with two hits for the first five innings.

Clarence Podbelian, who hurled seven innings for the Dodgers, shut out the Saints until the sixth when Moeller belted a two-run homer. Jackie Robinson's four-bagger tied up in the home half.

Says Rodney:

By Lester Rodney

Who Fouled Compass?

THE COLUMNIST in the Compass yesterday said Melchiorre of Bradley was fouled going in the last shot and therefore CCNY should either give back the trophy or offer to play the game over.

For his information:

1. Melchiorre didn't have the ball posted out of his hands. He shot on the dead run from near the basket, the ball jammed the rim where it meets the backboard, too low, and Dambrot got the rebound.

2. Melchiorre himself never by sign, gesture or anything he said then or later indicated that he remotely thought he had been fouled. This would be the first time in all basketball history that a player "palpably fouled" never showed he thought so. And in the last seconds of a championship game, too!

3. Nobody on Bradley bench thought so either.

4. Melchiorre came over to every City player after the game, shook hands warmly and offered congratulations. Right in the middle of the floor.

5. Specifically asked how he liked the officiation, it he had any complaints about the officiating, Bradley Coach Anderson said "I never complained about the officiating. Let's just say City was good."

The question: Who fouled the Compass columnist?

Baseball Notes

Don't miss Nat Low's swell first hand story from the Coast on how Luke Easter looks as Cleveland's leading hitter. It's in the weekend Worker. Easter belted home run number five Wednesday to beat the Pirates 7-6 . . . Bosox notion of a fast start doesn't look so good with the pitching hurting. Kinder has been retarded by a fractured rib, Stobbs has a lame arm. McDermott has been totally ineffective, leaving Parnell the only big guy of the moment. . . .

Henrich's knee injury is reported getting no better and he's not working into condition because of it. No kid any more. Collins will probably open at first if he keeps hitting. . . . Eddie Miller, released by the Phils, is one of the smartest baseball men in the business, and a great teacher. Because he is tough minded, outspoken and not a yes-man he's not getting managerial consideration. . . .

SEND THAT DOUGH TODAY!

In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo

Personal Pitch to Old Friends

THERE'S A RUMOR making the city room rounds that George Morris and/or Ted Tinsley will cop the Fund Drive competition now being hotly waged by this paper's columnists. I say this is sheer panic mongering. Loyal readers of this sports column will not be intimidated—or underestimated. Our personal pile is beginning to swell somewhat. Added to the first week's kitty previously acknowledged in this space, has come another \$10 from "T of Massachusetts," \$1 from Bill Phillips of Brooklyn who says, "I've always enjoyed your column very much," and another single from "Zupan."

Tell you what I'm gonna do, as the pitch man says. I'm gonna make that pitch. I know there are loads of you folks who've told me time and again that so far as you're concerned the back page of the paper is the front page. In other words, you like our sports section.

You like the unrelenting fight we've waged through the years to smash sports Jimcrow, you like the only page in town to have exposed the criminal sordidness of the commercial ring racket and the only page to have advanced a program for boxing medical reforms which put enough of a hot-seat under the ring powers that be to force a few encouraging steps in the right direction. You like our warm personal interviews with the athletes as compared to the cynical claptrap peddled on the Big Press pages. You've indicated by the hundreds each and every week of our Football Pickem Derby that you thought our sports page the best there is. You enthusiastically pitched into the stimulating debate on hunting carried in this column which received nation-wide attention—and well, what's more to say except that down through the years you've indicated over and over your affection for the special character a working class sports page can have.

I'm asking you to "show us" again—and now in the only language that talks during our urgent Fund Drive. All those dollar bills and checks that will guarantee a long life to the Daily Worker sports page and the paper generally.

So let's get a little personal now. I know we've got loads of friends and I know you're gonna come through for us. How about some healthy contributions from such oldtime correspondents to this corner as Fred Briehl from up Walkill way, and all those wonderful people we've met up at the farm through the summer seasons? Where's old buddy Eddie Garfield from Boston and Frank Balfour from Lawrence, Mass.? How about you gals and guys from the Czechoslovak Workers House whose athletic program was sent off winging by the coverage received here? How many—and for how much—will our many Pickem Derby fans come in with. And I do mean such familiar Pickem competitors like Richard Zakheim, Dave Lubell, Tech Gish, Al Jett, John Hull, Norman Gold, Chris Kourambis, Danny Kleinman, Steve Kanner, Ricky C, Peter Bloch, Carl Schiffman and so many hundreds more of you red-hot Pickem players come the crisp October plunging weather? Let's see you score some real touchdowns with generous greenbacks. And where, oh where, is longtime boxing correspondent Helen F—and all our readers in hometown Brooklyn? How about the youth clubs all around the country—whose representatives invariably drop up to the sports department to say hello whenever they get within hiking distance of 35 E. 12th?

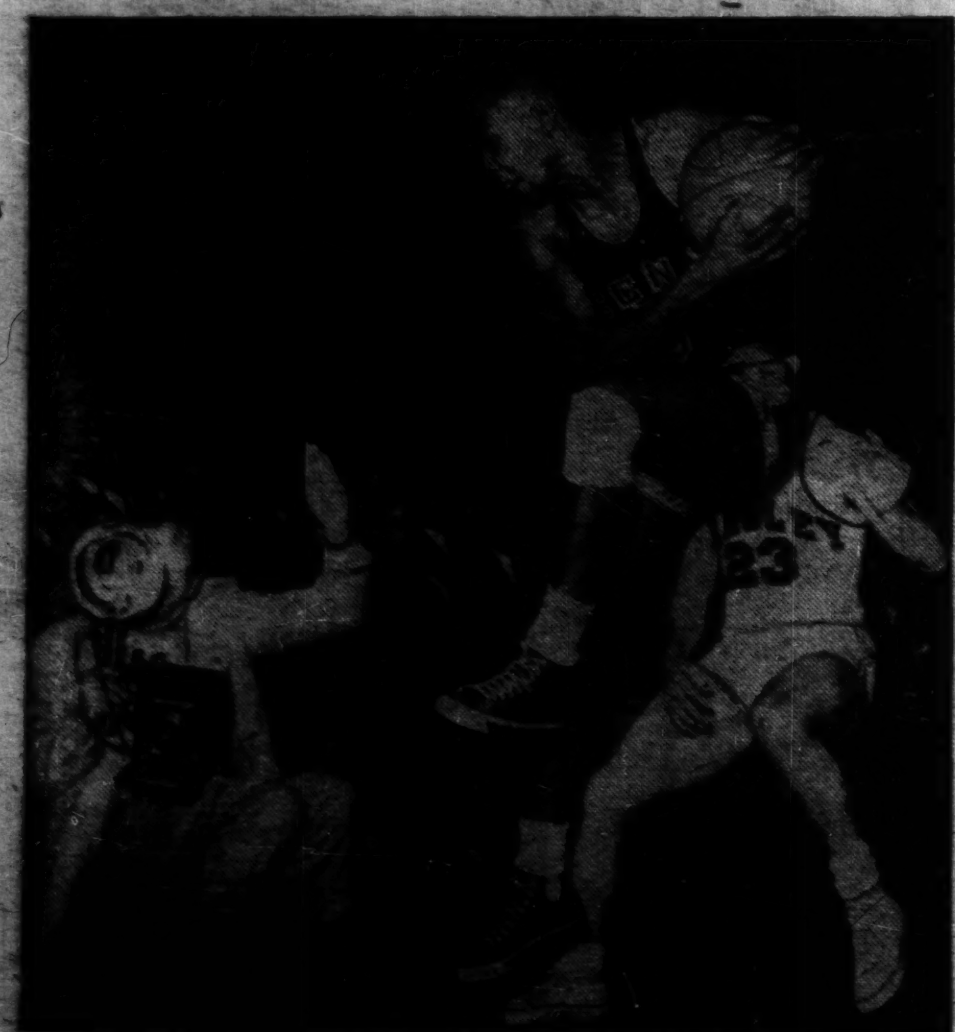
I know that all of you are hitting the long ball in the Fund Drive through your regular channels, club quotas, etc. But how about just a token of affection for the sports column? Yes, good people!

So let's roll it up, friends. And get your friends to help roll it up too, friends. Ah friendship. . . . Who's gonna come through with the first \$100 check? (We'll take all the singles you've got too.) Hey, you know something—there isn't a columnist on the paper who's received a hundred-dollar contribution. What a swell boost for the sports page 'twould be if somebody sent one along to this corner!

From here on in, we play for keeps. So it's batter up and like they keep saying in the footnotes to those other columns: All contributions sent to this writer personally will be acknowledged in this column.

Yessir, that's what I wanna do. Make with some fast and furious acknowledgements. Are you with it?

He Will Do This 2 More Seasons



ONE OF THE main cogs in the spectacular national championship double pulled by CCNY was soph Floyd Layne, shown above leaping high to snare the ball in the final minutes of the thriller with Bradley. An on the spot photog looks a little worried. Bradley player is Gene Melchiorre, who almost broke up the party for City. Layne, 6-3, a Franklin High graduate, was key defensive player for CCNY, good floorman, very fast, rebounds well and can shoot. What else is there to the game?